

# Handbook for **Unemployed Workers**

Your unemployment benefits, rights and responsibilities



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# Read this handbook

## English

This handbook explains your rights and responsibilities when you apply for and claim unemployment benefits. Read it, and, if you don't understand it or have questions, call the claims center at 800-318-6022 for help. Free interpretive services are available to answer your questions if you don't speak English. You are responsible for understanding this information. You may be denied benefits if you don't follow the instructions in this handbook. If you knowingly break the rules, you could be denied benefits for committing fraud, which may lead to serious consequences, including civil and criminal penalties. Keep this handbook for future reference.

## Spanish

Este manual explica sus derechos y las responsabilidades que contrae cuando solicita y registra reclamos de beneficios del seguro por desempleo. Por favor léalo y si no entiende algo o tiene preguntas, llame al centro de reclamos al 1-800-318-6022. Si no habla inglés, tenemos servicios de interpretación para contestar a sus preguntas. Usted tiene la responsabilidad de entender esta información. Si no sigue las instrucciones en este manual, se podrían denegar sus beneficios. Si a sabiendas no cumple con los reglamentos, se le podrían denegar los beneficios por cometer fraude, lo que podría ocasionar consecuencias graves que incluyen sanciones civiles y penales. Para uso futuro, guarde este manual como punto de referencia.

## Cambodian/Khmer

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## Chinese simplified

此手册讲解当您申请和申报失业保险金时的权利和责任。请阅读此手册，如果有您不理解的地方或疑问，请致电失业局寻求帮助，号码是 800-318-6022。如果您不懂英文，我们可以提供免费的翻译服务来回答您的问题。您有责任理解此手册的信息。如果您不遵守此手册内的指令，您的失业保险金申请可能会被拒绝。如果您故意违反规则，您可能会因为欺诈而得不到失业保险金，并且面对严重的后果，包括民事和刑事处罚。请妥善保存此手册，以备今后参考。

## Chinese traditional

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## Korean

이 안내서에는 귀하가 실직수당을 신청하거나 청구할 때 알아야 할 권리와 책임이 설명되어 있습니다. 그러므로 이 안내서의 내용을 읽고 이해해 주시기 바랍니다. 이 안내서를 이해하는 데 어려움이 있거나 질문이 있으시면 청구 센터, 800-318-6022 로 전화해 도움을 청하십시오. 영어를 할 줄 모르시는 분은 무료 통역 서비스를 통해 질문에 대한 답을 얻으실 수 있습니다. 귀하는 이 안내서의 내용을 이해할 책임이 있습니다. 이 안내서에 나와 있는 지시사항을 따르지 않으면 실직수당이 거절조치될 수도 있습니다. 그리고 고의적으로 해당 규정을 위반하는 경우 사기행위에 입각해 실직수당이 거절조치될 수도 있으며, 민/형사상의 처벌을 비롯해 심각한 결과를 초래할 수 있습니다. 이 안내서는 추후 참고용으로 잘 보관하시기 바랍니다.

## Laotian

ຫນ້າສື່ອາດມີສະບັບນີ້ອະທິບາຍຖືກຫນ້າທີ່ແລະຄວາມຮັບຜິດຊອບຂອງທ່ານເວລາທ່ານສະມັກຂໍຮັບງົບວ່າງງານ. ອ່ານແລະຖ້າທ່ານໄດ້ເຂົ້າໃຈຫລືອມ້າຄຳຖາມ, ໂທຫາຜະແນກເຄມທີ້ 800-318-6022 ເພື່ອຂໍຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫລືອ. ມີບໍລິການນາຍພາສາໃຫ້ບໍ່ເສັຍຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍເພື່ອຕອບຄຳຖາມທ່ານຖ້າທ່ານໄດ້ສາມາດເວົ້າພາສາອັງກິດໄດ້. ຄວາມຮັບຜິດຊອບຂອງທ່ານຄືອທ່ານຕ້ອງເຂົ້າໃຈຂໍ້ມູນນີ້. ທ່ານອາດຈະຖືກຍົກເລີກບໍລິການຖ້າທ່ານໄດ້ທຳຕາມຄຳແນະນຳໃນປຶ້ມເລື່ອນນີ້. ຖ້າທ່ານຝ່າຍພື້ນກົດໝາຍນີ້, ທ່ານອາດຈະຖືກຍົກເລີກຜົນປະໂຫຍດເພາະວ່າຝ່າຍພື້ນກົດ, ຊື່ງອາດຈະນຳໄປສູ່ຄວາມຍຸ້ງຍາກສໍາລັບລວມຖືກການວົງໂທດທາງກົດຫມາຍ. ຕັບປຶ້ມນີ້ໄວ້ໃຊ້ເປັນຂໍ້ມູນໃນສະພາບດີຂ້າງຫນ້າ

## Russian

Из этого пособия Вы узнаете о своих правах и обязанностях, когда Вы подадите заявление и будете претендовать на пособие по безработице. Прочитайте его и, если Вам что-либо непонятно или у Вас возникли вопросы, пожалуйста, позвоните в центр, который занимается приемом заявлений на пособия по безработице по тел. 800-318-6022 и обратитесь за помощью. Если Вы не владеете английским языком, Вам бесплатно предоставят услуги переводчика. Вы должны самостоятельно разобраться в этой информации. Вам может быть отказано в получении пособия по безработице, если Вы не будете следовать инструкциям, содержащимся в этом пособии. Если Вы сознательно нарушите правила, Вам может быть отказано в пособии за мошенничество, что может привести к серьезным последствиям, включая гражданско-правовые санкции и уголовное наказание. Храните это пособие для справок в будущем.

## Vietnamese

Tài liệu này giải thích về những quyền hạn và trách nhiệm của quý vị khi nộp đơn và khai báo xin tiền thất nghiệp. Hãy đọc tài liệu và nếu quý vị không hiểu hoặc có thắc mắc, xin gọi cho trung tâm số 1-800-318-6022 để được giúp. Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để giúp giải đáp những thắc mắc nếu quý vị không nói được tiếng Anh. Quý vị phải chịu trách nhiệm về việc hiểu rõ những điều nêu trong tài liệu này. Quý vị có thể bị từ chối tiền thất nghiệp nếu quý vị không làm theo những chỉ dẫn trong tài liệu này. Nếu quý vị cố tình vi phạm luật, quý vị có thể bị từ chối tiền thất nghiệp vì gian dối, điều này có thể đưa đến hậu quả nghiêm trọng, kể cả bị hình phạt dân sự và hình sự. Hãy giữ lại tài liệu này để tham khảo khi cần.

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# Basic information

Words in ***bold italics*** are defined in the *Definitions* section on page 32.

## We're here to help

If you're out of work, we'll help you apply for unemployment benefits, file ***weekly claims*** and search for a job. We can also help you improve your job-search skills and provide other assistance.

- To apply for benefits or file a weekly claim, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) or call the claims center. See our available services on page 5.
- For help finding a job:
  - Visit a local **WorkSource employment center** (*part of the nationwide American Job Center network*), which you can locate at [go2worksource.com](http://go2worksource.com). Also see *How can WorkSource help me with my job search?* on page 17.
  - If you live outside Washington, find your nearest American Job Center at [careeronestop.org](http://careeronestop.org), or call 877-872-5627.
- Learn about programs we offer on page 26.

It is your responsibility to get back to work as quickly as you can.

## If English is not your primary language

Our claims center's automated phone line offers messages in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian and Korean. If you don't speak any of these languages, press "6" to speak to an interpreter at no cost. You'll also find links to information in many languages on the bottom of [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov).

## What are unemployment benefits?

Unemployment benefits replace some of your regular income and help you meet expenses while you look for a job.

Benefits are not based on financial need. The *Eligibility* section of this handbook explains who is eligible. (See page 9.)

## How to apply for and claim unemployment benefits

It's easy to apply for benefits online. To see a video showing how to apply, enter "videos" in the search box on [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). You also can call the claims center for assistance Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

After you apply for unemployment benefits, remember to file your weekly claims. Instructions appear on page 12. Also, see page 15 to learn about your responsibilities to look for work and keep a job-search log. You must file a claim for every week you want to claim benefits.

## We take fraud seriously

*Fraud is misrepresenting or knowingly withholding information about a claim. It has serious consequences. Violators can face criminal prosecution.*

Our team of special investigators is solely focused on identifying fraud. Breaking the rules, such as intentionally failing to report earnings, could result in a denial of benefits, an overpayment, and even criminal prosecution.

Also, don't forget to keep your ***job-search logs*** so we can review them.

## Tips to avoid committing fraud

Keep these key facts in mind when you are applying for unemployment benefits and filing ***weekly claims*** to help you get quick and accurate payments:

1. **Follow the rules to keep from committing fraud.** While you collect unemployment benefits, you are responsible for following the requirements in state law. Failing to follow the rules can result in serious consequences, including penalties.
2. **Accurately report why you're unemployed.** Be sure to report the reason for leaving your job when you apply for unemployment benefits. If you lie about the reason you lost your job, you will be guilty of fraud.
3. **Report any wages you earn.** You must report your *gross wages* (before taxes) *for each week* you work, regardless of when you get paid. If you don't, you will be guilty of fraud. Report ***all earnings***, including part-time and temporary work.
4. **Be available for work.** To collect benefits, you must be ***able*** to and ***available*** for ***suitable work*** each week. (See page 9.)
5. **Actively search for work.** You must search for work each week you claim benefits unless we tell you otherwise. (See page 15.)
6. **Avoid making mistakes so we can pay you correctly.** Read and follow all of the information we provide to you.

## Follow the rules so you don't commit fraud.

### Penalties for fraud

If you knowingly break the rules, you may be denied benefits for committing fraud. This may lead to serious consequences, including:

- Paying back the unemployment benefits you collected, plus penalties and fines, and losing eligibility for unemployment benefits in the future.
  - **First violation** – We deny 26 weeks (6 months) of future benefits and require you to pay back any benefits you should not have received.
  - **Second violation** – We deny 52 weeks (a full year) of future benefits and require you to pay back any benefits you should not have received, plus a penalty of 25 percent of that amount.
  - **Third and additional violations** – We deny 104 weeks (2 years) of future benefits and require you to pay back any benefits you should not have received, plus a penalty of 50 percent of that amount.
- Prosecution by the government.
- Jail or prison.

If you make a mistake, call the claims center and ask for help. You also can ask a question through our website. On the homepage, click “ask questions about your claim” and choose “submit a question.”

### How we identify fraud

Some of the ways we identify people who are committing fraud to receive benefits are to:

- Compare the **earnings** reported by unemployed workers and employers.
- Audit claims.
- Check earnings reported in Washington and other states.
- Check records in the National Directory of New Hires to make sure people aren't collecting unemployment benefits when they start working again.

- Check job-search contacts.
- Investigate tips about possible fraud.
- Verify your information with data in state and federal databases (crossmatching).
- Verify the reason you are unemployed.

### Report fraud

If you know an employer or individual who is committing fraud, we want to hear from you.

- Call us at 866-266-1987.
- Send us a fax at 360-407-4460 or 509-893-7087.
- Complete an online fraud form at [suspectfraud.com](https://suspectfraud.com) or visit [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov) and click the “Report Fraud” button.

### Who pays for unemployment benefits?

Washington state employers pay all costs of the unemployment-insurance program. Unlike Social Security, workers do not pay any of the costs.

### What you must do to maintain benefits

For each week you claim and want to receive unemployment benefits, you must meet all eligibility requirements. These include **actively seeking suitable work** and keeping your **job-search logs**. We do audits to make sure you are meeting job-search requirements.

### Will you get the full amount of benefits available to you?

You will receive a **Statement of Wages and Hours** in the mail. It will show you your **maximum benefits payable**. This figure represents the total amount of your benefits if you comply with all of the rules and claim enough weeks to reach this amount. To get the full amount for each week you claim, you must prove you are **able** and **available** for work and are **actively seeking suitable work**.

### We share information with our partners

In some cases, we are required to share limited information about you. In other cases, you can ask us to keep your information private. We strictly obey state and federal privacy laws. For details, see page 36.



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## How to find services on our website

Here is a list of information and services on our website and when they are available.

### Start on our homepage [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov)

Service	Click on	Directions	When available
Apply for unemployment benefits (open a claim)	Apply for unemployment benefits	Read eligibility requirements before beginning. Click “online unemployment-benefits application.” Carefully read all information. You can practice on the sample link before applying.	Anytime
Change your email address	File a weekly claim	Click “weekly online unemployment-benefits claim.” We will ask for your Social Security number and PIN.	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 3 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
File a weekly claim	File a weekly claim	Click “weekly online unemployment-benefits claim.” We will ask for your Social Security number.	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 5 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
Sign up, change or cancel direct deposit	File a weekly claim	Click “Get your benefits by direct deposit” tab on the left side of the screen. Carefully read all information. If you did not request direct deposit when you applied for benefits, you must wait 24 hours before applying. We will ask for your Social Security number.	Anytime
<b>Reopen</b> your claim	File a weekly claim	You can reopen your claim on our website only if you have stopped claiming for 4 weeks or more. Click the “Reopen your claim” tab on the left side of the screen. After carefully reading the information, Click “Internet” to begin. We will ask for your Social Security number and PIN.	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 3 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
Change your mailing address	File a weekly claim	Click “weekly online unemployment-benefits claim.” We will ask for your Social Security number and PIN. The U.S. Postal Service does not forward unemployment-benefit checks. <i>Wait at least 48 hours after changing your mailing address before filing a weekly claim.</i>	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 3 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
Watch a video on how to apply for unemployment benefits	Apply for unemployment benefits	Click “applying-for-unemployment-benefits video” or “Spanish video” to view a list of videos available.	Anytime
Job search	Find a job through <b>WorkSource</b>	There are several options to help you find work.	Anytime
Training information	Job seekers	Click any link under “Job training.”	Anytime

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## How to use our phone system: 800-318-6022

Our phone system offers many automated services, in addition to providing access to claims agents. Be aware that new applicants get priority access to claims agents. Whenever possible, use the automated features of our phone system to file weekly claims, find answers to common questions, change your contact information, etc.

*Your claim status determines which services are available. You must enter your Social Security number and, in most cases, your PIN.*

Service	Press	Directions	When available
Apply for unemployment benefits (open a claim)	2	Have your Social Security number and employer information for the last two years ready, including employer names, addresses, dates worked and reasons you are no longer employed.	Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (unless Friday is a holiday)
File your <b>weekly claim</b>	1	Be ready to answer the automated weekly claim questions (see page 13). Wait for the statement "your claim has now been accepted" before hanging up.	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 5 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
<b>Reopen</b> your claim	2	Be prepared to provide employer information if you have worked since you last claimed.	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 5 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
Check your payment status or balance	3	You will hear your last payment amount, date your payment was issued and your benefit balance.	Anytime
Change your contact information	4	Speak slowly while recording any changes to your information. The U.S. Postal Service does not forward unemployment-benefit checks. <i>Wait at least 48 hours after changing your mailing address before filing a weekly claim.</i>	12:01 a.m. Sunday - 3 p.m. Friday (unless Friday is a holiday)
Find out when you last updated your contact information	4	You will hear when you last changed your address or phone number.	Anytime
Information about your benefit <b>overpayment</b>	6	If you have an overpayment, you will be given overpayment account information or will be asked to call Benefit Payment Control.	Anytime

If you have other questions, press "7" Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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# GET YOUR BENEFITS FASTER WITH DIRECT DEPOSIT!

*Instructions on page 24.*

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## Send us mail or faxes

To send us documents, *use the return address on the form* or refer to the table below. If you're not sure which address to use, call the claims center. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov): Click "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question." Please include your *customer ID* or *Social Security number* on documents you send us to avoid a delay in processing your information.

What you are sending	Where to send it
Questionnaires and information that help us determine your eligibility for benefits, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advice-of-rights form</li><li>• Medical certifications</li><li>• Student progress report</li><li>• Questionnaire about your job separation</li></ul>	UI Imaging PO Box 19019 Olympia WA 98507-0019 Fax: 800-301-1796
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Affidavit of Federal Civilian Service wages</li></ul>	Special Wage and Benefit Unit PO Box 9046 Olympia WA 98507-9046 Fax: 360-486-5415 or 877-890-2633
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Appeal of your denial of unemployment benefits</li><li>• Appeal or redetermination of your <b>Statement of Wages and Hours</b></li></ul>	UI Appeals PO Box 19018 Olympia WA 98507-0018 Fax: 800-301-1795
Appeal or petition to review your denial from the Office of Administrative Hearings	Commissioner's Review Office PO Box 9555 Olympia WA 98507-9555 <i>Faxes are not accepted.</i>
Payments to pay back an <b>overpayment</b>	Benefit Payment Control PO Box 24928 Seattle WA 98124-0928 Pay electronically at: <a href="https://onlinebill.paystation.com/esd">https://onlinebill.paystation.com/esd</a>
Training Benefits application	Seattle UI Claims Center — Training Benefits Unit PO Box 47076 Seattle WA 98046-7076
Shared-Work Program form	Shared-Work Program PO Box 9046 Olympia WA 98507-9046 Fax: 800-701-7754

# Rights and responsibilities

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## Your rights

We make decisions based on laws and policies that apply equally to everyone.

### If we question your eligibility for benefits

You have the right to know why we are questioning your eligibility and to be interviewed before we make a final decision. Interviews are almost always conducted by phone.

- Before the interview, you can ask to see any documents we have about your eligibility.
- You can ask someone to assist you, including an attorney. You are responsible for any fees an attorney charges you.
- You have the right to present evidence, documents and witnesses at the interview.
- You may question anyone at the interview, including witnesses.

### If you disagree with a decision

You and your former employers have the right to appeal benefit decisions. (See page 30.)

### If you have a disability

If you need a reasonable accommodation for a disability, please let us know.

- If you are hearing or speech impaired, call our TTY line at 800-365-8969. You also may use the relay service for operator assistance at 800-833-6384 or call 711.
- If you have a disability that prevents you from using the Internet or telephone, visit your local **WorkSource employment center** for assistance. Our offices are accessible. The staff can help you apply for unemployment benefits and look for work. To support our commitment to universal access to job-search services, offices offer a range of technology resources designed to help people with different needs, such as limited mobility, low vision or blindness, and learning and cognitive needs or hearing impairments.

## Your responsibilities

### Follow instructions

You are responsible for following the instructions in this handbook and obeying the laws related to unemployment benefits.

### Look for a job and keep a job-search log

You must look for work to receive unemployment benefits. (See page 15.)

### Answer our questions

If you get a questionnaire in the mail, you must return it with the questions answered. Otherwise, you may be denied benefits. You must mail or fax the information to us, even if you have already provided it by phone.

### Attend scheduled interviews

If you are scheduled for an in-person interview or appointment, you must attend. Otherwise, you may be denied benefits.

### Perform your weekly responsibilities

See page 14 for your weekly requirements while claiming.

### Keep your contact information current

Keep your mailing address, phone number and email address up to date so we can send you notices and contact you when necessary. If you get your unemployment benefits by direct deposit, you are still responsible for keeping your information current. (See page 14.)

*The U.S. Postal Service does not forward unemployment-benefit checks.*

# Eligibility

## Who is eligible?

You must meet specific criteria to be eligible for unemployment benefits in Washington. For example, you must be:

- Employed for at least 680 hours in your **base year** in **covered employment**.
- Unemployed for reasons that are not your fault. For example, you:
  - Were laid off.
  - Are still working, but your hours were cut back.
  - Were fired for a reason other than **misconduct** or **gross misconduct**. (See page 10.)
  - Quit for a good-cause reason. (See page 10.)
- **Able** to and **available** for work.
- **Actively seeking suitable work**.
- Legally authorized to work in the United States and have been authorized to work during your base year.

Everyone's circumstance is unique. We'll decide if you are eligible for unemployment benefits based on the facts about your job loss.

Knowingly breaking the rules is unemployment-benefits fraud, which may lead to serious penalties. (See page 3.)

If you have questions, call the claims center or visit our website and enter "eligibility" in the search box. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

## What is able and available for work?

You are **able** to work if you have the physical and mental capacity and the legal right to work each day you claim benefits.

You are **available** for work if you are immediately ready and capable of accepting **suitable work** in your **labor market**. You must be ready to accept the work during all customary hours for your occupation each day of the week you are claiming benefits. Examples of not being able to or available for work:

- Vacationing.
- Being ill or hospitalized.
- Not having child care or transportation.

Tell us if your situation changes and you are no longer able to and available for work. For example, if you:

- Lose your child care.
- Have no transportation to find work or commute to work.
- Become injured or sick and can't work.
- Go to school during hours that are customary for your occupation.

## Can I collect unemployment benefits if I work part-time?

Yes, but we reduce your benefits if you work part-time, as shown on the earnings deduction chart on page 37. We reduce your benefits by this amount: gross earnings, minus \$5, times 75 percent. This amount may be different if you are receiving Training Benefits.

You must continue to meet job-search requirements while working part-time. If you did not work more than 17 hours in any week in your **base year**, you may ask to limit your job search to work that is only part-time. Call the claims center to find out if you qualify. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

**Report your earnings.**

## What type of work is not covered for benefits?

These people may not be employed in **covered employment**:

- Self-employed workers.
- Elected government officials.
- Church employees.
- Appraisers.
- Amateur sports officials, like umpires and referees.
- Work-study students.
- Workers who are paid based on commission:
  - Salespeople who sell goods on commission outside of a company's business locations.

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- Licensed real-estate agents, brokers and investment-company agents.
  - Travel agents paid on commission.

Contact the claims center if you have questions about covered employment.

## Can I get benefits if I quit?

It depends. We'll decide if you are eligible for unemployment benefits based on the facts about your job loss. You may qualify for unemployment benefits if we decide you quit for a good-cause reason:

- You took another job.
- You became sick or disabled, or a member of your family became sick, disabled or died, and it was necessary for you to quit work.
- You moved to be with your spouse or domestic partner whose job is outside your **labor market** area.
- You needed to protect yourself or immediate family members from domestic violence or stalking.
- Your employer reduced your usual pay or hours of work by 25 percent or more.
- Your employer changed the location of your job so your commute is longer or harder.
- You told your employer about a safety problem at work, and your employer did not fix the problem quickly.
- You told your employer about an illegal activity at work, and your employer did not stop the activity quickly.
- Your employer changed your usual work, and the work now goes against your religious or moral beliefs.
- You entered approved apprenticeship training.
- You started approved training under the Trade Act.
- You worked full-time and part-time jobs at the same time, and you quit the part-time job – then were laid off later from the full-time job.

We will ask you more questions to see if you are eligible for one of these reasons. If we determine you are not eligible, we will deny you benefits for at least seven weeks and until you earn at least seven times your **weekly benefit amount** in **covered employment**.

## Can I get benefits if I'm fired?

It depends. If you were fired through no fault of your own, such as not having the skills to do the job, you may be eligible for unemployment benefits. If we decide you were fired or suspended for **misconduct** or **gross misconduct**, you will not qualify for unemployment benefits.

### Misconduct examples

- Deliberate or **wanton** disregard for your employer or a fellow employee, such as:
  - Insubordination.
  - Repeated inexcusable tardiness following warnings.
  - Dishonesty related to employment.
  - Repeated and inexcusable absences.
  - Violating the law or deliberate acts that provoke violence or illegal actions, or violating a collective bargaining agreement.
  - Violating a company rule.
- Deliberately violating or disregarding standards of behavior that your employer has a right to expect.
- Carelessness or negligence that causes, or will likely cause, serious bodily harm to your employer or fellow employees.
- Carelessness or negligence of such a degree or recurrence that it shows an intentional or substantial disregard for your employer.

### Gross misconduct examples

- A criminal act in connection with your work for which you have been convicted in a criminal court or have admitted committing.
- Conduct connected with your work that demonstrates a **flagrant** and **wanton** disregard for your employer or a fellow employee.

If we determine that you were fired or suspended for misconduct or gross misconduct connected with your work, we will deny you benefits for at least 10 weeks and until you earn at least 10 times your **weekly benefit amount** in **covered employment**. Additionally, if we deny you benefits based on gross misconduct, we will remove wages and hours from your unemployment-insurance records, which may cause you to be ineligible for unemployment benefits.

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## Can I get benefits if I'm on strike or affected by a lockout?

This is determined on a case-by-case basis. Apply for benefits and keep filing your **weekly claims** while you are waiting for our decision. If you have **earnings** or strike pay, we may deduct a portion of them from your benefits. See page 37 for the earnings deduction chart.

## What else can keep me from getting benefits?

We'll decide if you are eligible for unemployment benefits based on the facts about your job loss. You may not be eligible if you:

- Missed a deadline to:
  - Apply for benefits or file your **weekly claim**.
  - **Reopen** your claim after you stopped claiming.
  - Respond to written notices or verbal requests for information.
- Did not give accurate or complete information about your:
  - Employment history.
  - Reason for no longer working.
  - Income and **earnings**.
  - Job-search activities.
- Are unable or unwilling to work because you:
  - Did not apply when **WorkSource** referred you to a job.
  - Did not **actively seek** or accept **suitable work** as directed.
  - Turned down a job offer.
  - Significantly limited the type of work or hours you are willing to accept.
  - Are injured or sick.
  - Do not have child or elder care that you need to accept or seek work.
  - Are on a leave of absence from an employer.
  - Do not have transportation to seek or accept work.

- Did not follow our instructions to:
  - Attend a **WorkSource** class or other scheduled appointment.
  - Report to a **WorkSource employment center** for a review of your **job-search log**.
  - Give us copies of your job-search log when requested. Record your work-search activity and keep your logs, as required.
- Do not qualify because you are:
  - A school employee between terms or a professional athlete between seasons.
  - Not legally authorized to work in the U.S.
  - A corporate officer and you, or a member of your family who is also a corporate officer, owns 10 percent or more of the business.
  - A student who is not approved for training by Employment Security.
  - Working and have earnings.
  - A union member who is not following union dispatch rules or not in good standing with your union.

## What if my eligibility is questioned?

After you apply and file a **weekly claim**, we will decide if you are eligible for unemployment benefits. At any time during your claim, we may need additional information to make a decision. To gather the facts we need, we may:

- Mail you questionnaires.
- Call or email you.
- Contact your former employer(s) to ask specific questions about why you are no longer working.
- Contact other people who can provide relevant information.

We will make a decision with the information we have available. If we have questions after you have already started receiving weekly benefits, we may pay you **conditional payments** until the question is resolved.

**We verify your information with other state and federal agencies.**



# Filing a weekly claim

When you file your **weekly claim**, you are filing for the week that ended last Saturday at 11:59 p.m. For unemployment purposes, a week is Sunday through Saturday. Here are some common questions about filing weekly claims.

## When do I file my weekly claim?

- Apply for unemployment benefits in week 1 and begin your job search. (See page 15.)
- In week 2, begin submitting **weekly claims**. The week you're claiming must end before you can claim it. Your weekly claim in week 2 is for week 1. Your claim is for the week that ended last Saturday at 11:59 p.m.
  - If you are eligible for benefits, week 1 is your **waiting week**. You won't receive benefits for it, but you have to claim it.
- In week 3, file a claim for week 2.
  - If you are eligible for benefits, your first payment will be for week 2.
- You must file every week you want to claim benefits.

## Example

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Week 1		1	2	3	4	5	6
Week 2	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Week 3	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Week 4	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Week 5	28	29	30	31			

John was laid off on the 1st. He applies for unemployment that day.

On the 7th, John files for the week ending the 6th. That is his **waiting week**, if eligible. No check is issued.

On the 14th, John files for the week ending the 13th. That is the first week he can receive payment, if eligible.

You can file as soon as Saturday ends, either on [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov) or by calling the claims center's automated-claims line.

- Call no sooner than Sunday morning.
- Call as late as 5 p.m. on the last business day of the week (usually Friday, unless it is a state holiday).

You must file a **weekly claim**, even if you are:

- Waiting to hear if you qualify for benefits.
- Expecting wages and hours to be added to your claim.
- Appealing a denial of benefits.
- Claiming a **waiting week**.

**File a claim each week. We pay only for weeks you claim.**

## How do I file my weekly claim?

It's fast and easy to file your claim online or by phone. In rare cases, we allow you to use a paper claim form and file by mail or fax.

To watch a video showing how to submit **weekly claims**, visit [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov) and enter "videos" in the search box.

## Personal identification number (PIN)

You need a PIN to file your **weekly claim**, change your address, check the status of your payments or set up direct deposit.

To create a PIN online or by phone, you will be asked to:

1. Enter your birth month in two digits (for example, 09 for September).
2. Enter your birth year in four digits (for example, 1980).
3. Choose a four-digit PIN.

## Warning

Do not share your PIN with anyone, even our employees, and make sure it doesn't have:

- Repeating numbers (7777).
- Numbers in sequence (1234).
- Any part of your birth date.

## Forgot your PIN?

Contact the claims center and ask us to reset your PIN. Then follow steps 1 to 3 above to set up a new PIN.



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## What do you ask when I file a weekly claim?

We ask these questions each week and may ask additional questions, depending on your answers. To report work, vacation or other pay, please have *dates, employer name and address, hours and earnings* ready before you begin filing your **weekly claim**. Answer truthfully to avoid penalties.

### Answer based on when you did the work, not when you get paid.

1. Were you physically **able** and **available** for work each day?
2. Did you actively search for work this week as directed?
3. Did you refuse any offer of work or fail to go to a scheduled job interview?
4. Have you applied for or did you receive workers' or crime victims' compensation?
5. Have you applied for or did you have a change in pension?
6. Did you or will you receive holiday pay from your regular employer for any day of the week you are now claiming?
7. Did you or will you receive vacation pay for any day of the week you are now claiming?
8. Did you or will you receive pay in lieu of notice or termination pay for any day of the week you are now claiming?
9. Did you serve on a jury?
10. Did you perform duty in the Military Reserve or National Guard for more than 72 consecutive hours?
11. Did you work in self-employment?
12. Did you work for any employer?
13. Did you have any other reportable **earnings**?  
If you are not sure these earnings are reportable, refer to page 22 in this handbook or check with the claims center.

### Report honestly to avoid penalties.

## What if I stopped claiming and want to start claiming again?

You must **reopen** your claim *during* the first week you want to begin claiming benefits again, even though you cannot claim the week until it ends.

Since you filed a **weekly claim**, if it has been:

- Four weeks or less, call the claims center and speak to an agent.
- More than four weeks, you don't have to speak to an agent. Instead, you can reopen your claim on [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov) or call the claims center's automated-claims line.

If you want to claim weeks prior to the week you reopen your claim, you must call the claims center and speak to an agent.

## How do I know if my weekly claim was accepted?

You will get the message, "Your claim has now been accepted." If you disconnect before this message, your claim will not be processed.

If we need more information, we will tell you to stay on the line to speak to an agent or give you a phone number to call. Call as instructed, or your payment may be delayed.

If you are not sure if your claim was accepted, wait at least 24 hours after you tried to submit your claim, then call the claims center's automated-claims line.

# FILING YOUR WEEKLY CLAIM ONLINE IS EASY!

Go to our website: [esd.wa.gov](https://esd.wa.gov)

## What if I move out of state?

You remain eligible if you move within the United States or to Canada and continue to meet all eligibility requirements. You must look for work and register for work when asked. You can file your **weekly claim** from anywhere in the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or Canada.

If you move:

- Tell us your new address.
- Register for work at your nearest American Job Center, which you can find by visiting [careeronestop.org](http://careeronestop.org) or calling 877-872-5627.

**Keep your address up to date so you don't miss important notices.**

## What if I file my weekly claim late?

Call the claims center and speak to a claims agent. The claims agent can help you claim previous weeks. Our website and the claims center's automated-claims line do not accept late claims.

If you don't have a good reason for filing a claim late, you could be denied benefits for weeks you claim late.

## What if I make a mistake on my weekly claim?

You can make changes until your claim is accepted. You also can start over again.

- If you are on the phone, hang up. Call back to start again.
- If you are on our website, follow the instructions at the bottom of the page. If you close the page any other way, you'll have to wait 10 minutes before you can start again.

Call the claims center to speak to an agent if you realize after your claim is accepted that you made an error. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

**Contact the claims center if you make a mistake.**

## What am I required to do while claiming?

- Be **able** to work.
- Be **available** for work.
- Be **actively seeking suitable work**. (See page 15 for job-search requirements.)
- Keep a log of your job-search activities. (See page 15.)
- Register for work with a **WorkSource employment center** or your nearest American Job Center, which you can find by visiting [careeronestop.org](http://careeronestop.org) or calling 877-872-5627.
- Report in person to the local WorkSource employment center when directed.
- Report your work and **earnings**.

We'll tell you if you are not required to actively seek work (for example, if we approve your **standby** status, you are in approved job training or you are part of a **full-referral union**).

You still must meet all eligibility requirements for each week you are claiming, even if you are waiting for an eligibility decision or are filing an appeal. We only pay benefits for weeks that you claim and are eligible.

**You must look for work unless we tell you otherwise.**

## What if my contact information changes?

We need your current address, phone number and email address because:

- The U.S. Postal Service *does not* forward unemployment-benefits checks.
- We mail you notices (including Internal Revenue Service tax information and benefits-eligibility information) *even after you stop claiming benefits*.
- We may contact you by phone or email about your eligibility for benefits.

To change your address, phone number or email address, select the "change address" option online or call the claims center's automated-claims line and select option 4. It can take up to 48 hours to process your address change.

If you have questions, call the claims center and select option 7.

# Find a job

While collecting unemployment benefits, you must look for **suitable work** and keep a **job-search log**. In most cases, you also must be registered for work at a **WorkSource employment center**. To learn how WorkSource can help you find a job, see page 17.

## Job-search requirements

If you are required to look for work, you must meet our job-search requirements each week you claim benefits (unless we tell you otherwise) by:

- Making employer contacts; or
- Participating in job-search activities in-person at **WorkSource**.

Make sure you do at least *three* total job-search activities each week. For example, make one employer contact and do two in-person job-search activities. If your job-search requirements change, we will notify you.

## What is an employer contact?

You make an employer contact when you ask about or apply for a specific job. You can contact an employer by:

- Email
- Fax
- Internet
- Mail
- Phone
- Meeting in-person
- An employer's self-service kiosk

When inquiring about a specific position, you must take *all* steps necessary to apply for the position for it to count as a job-search activity. If the employer is *not* hiring or accepting applications, you can still count your inquiry as an employer contact, and should note that fact on your log.

Be sure to record all details required for the type of contact you make, as shown in the table on the next page.

Examples of contacts that don't count as employer contacts:

- Contacting employers you already know are not hiring.
- Browsing the Internet or newspaper.

- Posting your résumé online without submitting an application for a specific job.
- Having others look for work for you (such as "head-hunters").
- Working to set up your own business.
- Calling job lines to hear lists of job openings.

## What is an in-person job-search activity?

This is a free service provided through a **WorkSource employment center** or an American Job Center in your state to assist you with your job-search efforts. It is related to finding **suitable work**. Learning about job-search strategies, résumés and interview techniques are examples of in-person job-search activities.

**Save your job-search logs.**

## Keeping a job-search log

To stay eligible for benefits, you must give us your **job-search log** when we ask for it. You must write what you did to find a job in your job-search log.

Blank job-search logs and a sample log are provided on pages 39-42. You can make copies of a blank log or get additional logs at [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Enter "job-search log" in the search box.

To see a video showing how to fill out your job-search log, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter "videos" in the search box.

**THOUSANDS OF JOB  
OPENINGS ARE LISTED ON  
[GO2WORKSOURCE.COM](http://GO2WORKSOURCE.COM).**

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## What am I required to record on my log?

What you record depends on the type of contact you make. Include the following information for each type of contact.

Type of contact	What to write in your job-search log
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In person</li><li>• Phone</li><li>• Fax</li><li>• Kiosk</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The date you made the contact (month/day/year).</li><li>• Check the “employer contact” box.</li><li>• Check the box for the type of employer contact you made.</li><li>• Position or type of work for which you applied or interviewed.</li><li>• Employer’s name and complete address.</li><li>• Employer’s phone number, including area code.</li><li>• How you made the job-search contact. Check the appropriate box.</li><li>• Who you contacted. (How you report this depends on the type of contact.)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>In person</i>: The name or position of the person contacted. If the person didn’t give any information, write that on the log. List “front desk” or “receptionist” if you spoke only to that person or left your application.</li><li>- <i>Phone</i>: If the person didn’t give any information, document that on the log.</li><li>- <i>Fax</i>: The name, position or unit you sent the fax to, plus the fax number, including area code. If that information is not provided, enter “not provided.”</li></ul></li></ul>
In-person <b>WorkSource</b> activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Date you made the contact (month/day/year).</li><li>• Check the “WorkSource activity” box.</li><li>• Name of activity.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internet</li><li>• Email</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Date you made the contact (month/day/year).</li><li>• Check the “employer contact” box.</li><li>• Employer’s name, if known.</li><li>• Complete website address or complete email address.</li><li>• One or more of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Attach a confirmation notice (preferred).</li><li>- Job reference number.</li><li>- Position for which you applied.</li><li>- Job announcement.</li></ul></li></ul>
Blind ad (such as a newspaper, online ad or flyer) that doesn’t identify the employer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Date you made the contact (month/day/year).</li><li>• Check the “employer contact” box.</li><li>• Where you found the ad (such as the name of the newspaper).</li><li>• Date of the newspaper or periodical. (If it’s an online newspaper, use the Web address of the electronic ad.)</li><li>• How you made the job-search contact. Attach a copy of the ad to your log, if available.</li></ul>

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### Do I have to use the log you provide?

We recommend you use the **job-search log** shown on page 41. To get more copies, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter “job-search log” in the search box. You’re welcome to keep track of your job-search activities on any document you choose, as long as it has all the required information and you are able to provide it if we request it. Please use dark ink and print clearly.

### What do I do with my job-search log?

Keep your **job-search log** ready because we may request it at any time. *You must keep it at least 60 days after the end of your benefit year or 30 days after you stop receiving benefits, whichever is later.* Do not send it to us unless we request it.

### Will you ask for my job-search log?

Yes. You must provide your **job-search log** when we request it. We conduct random reviews of job-search logs to make sure you are looking for work. We also may have a question about your job search. If we schedule you for a job-search review, you must appear as instructed. Read the letter carefully to determine whether your interview will be conducted by phone or in-person. Have your identification and job-search log ready.

If your log is missing or incomplete, or you are not making a genuine attempt to find **suitable work**, you will be denied benefits and have to pay back benefits for all weeks you didn’t meet the job-search requirements.

**If you skip a WorkSource appointment, you may lose your benefits.**

### Does everyone have to look for work?

Yes, unless one of the following is true:

- We *approved* you for a training program. (See page 26.)
- We *approved* you for **Shared Work**. (See page 28.)
- We *approved* you for **standby**.
- You are a **full-referral union** member.
- You are **partially unemployed**.

### Do I have to accept any job offer?

You must accept an offer of **suitable work** based on your skills, abilities and **labor market**. If there are limited jobs in your occupation or geographical area, you may have to expand your search. Consider looking for a job in a different field or location.

### How can WorkSource help with my job search?

**WorkSource employment centers** are partners in the American Job Centers network. They provide employment and training services to job seekers and employers. Most of the services are free. WorkSource employment centers are located throughout Washington. For the nearest center, see page 35 or visit [go2worksource.com](http://go2worksource.com). If you live outside of Washington, find the nearest American Job Center at [careeronestop.org](http://careeronestop.org) or call 877-872-5627.

WorkSource has these free on-site resources to help you:

- Skill assessment and career guidance.
- Job-search tools like Internet access, copiers, fax machines, computers, printers, newspapers and phones.
- Strategies for finding a job.
- Information about how much jobs pay and which jobs are in demand.
- Referrals to job openings.
- Referrals and appointments for job-search assistance services.
- Assistance preparing your résumé and getting ready for job interviews.
- Sharing job-search strategies with other job seekers.
- Referrals to formal training programs, as well as access to free online training.
- Referrals to food banks, free credit counseling, housing, utilities assistance and many other community resources to help you cope with unemployment. You also can call 211 for additional resources.

You can use our computers to:

- Search [go2worksource.com](http://go2worksource.com) for jobs.
- Look at jobs on other websites.



- Post your résumé.
- Develop your work skills by accessing online programs.
- Work on job-search tools, such as developing résumés and cover letters.
- Research labor-market information and companies.

To support our commitment to universal access to job-search services, we offer a range of technology resources designed to help those with different needs, such as limited mobility, low vision or blindness, learning and cognitive needs, or hearing impairments.

WorkSource centers offer valuable classes, workshops and other services that may help meet your weekly job-search requirements. Contact WorkSource for more information.

*If you are selected to attend an orientation or job-search review at WorkSource or an American Job Center in your state, you must attend. If you don't attend as scheduled, you may be denied benefits.*

# WorkSource works!

It's a big shock to lose your job – but your local WorkSource center can put you on the path to a new job!

WorkSource offers:

- Thousands of Washington job listings
- Workshops on résumés, interviewing and more
- Free computers, copiers, phones and faxes for your job search
- Job clubs and networking assistance

It's never been easier to improve your job-search skills. Visit your local WorkSource center today.

**[www.go2worksource.com](http://www.go2worksource.com)**

**WORKSource**

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# Benefit payments

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## How much will I receive?

The amount you receive each week (**weekly benefit amount**) is 3.85 percent of the average of the two highest-paying quarters of **earnings** in your **base year**. However, we never pay less than the **minimum weekly benefit amount** or more than the **maximum weekly benefit amount**.

The total amount of benefits you can receive during a **benefit year** is called your **maximum benefits payable**. You get whichever amount is less:

- 26 times your weekly benefit amount; or
- One-third of your total base-year wages.

See page 22 for deduction information.

## When will I know how much I will receive?

A few days after you apply for unemployment benefits, we mail you a **Statement of Wages and Hours**. Let us know if you don't receive a statement within two weeks after applying.

## What does my statement show?

Your **Statement of Wages and Hours** tells you:

- How many hours you worked and how much you earned in your **base year**, as reported by your former employer(s).
- Whether you worked enough hours to qualify for unemployment benefits.
- Your **weekly benefit amount**.
- Your **maximum benefits payable**.

For a sample Statement of Wages and Hours and a description of each numbered item, see page 20.

## Review your statement carefully

Your **Statement of Wages and Hours** may be wrong or look wrong if:

- You worked in one quarter and were paid in the next quarter. Employers report wages in the same quarter that they pay you. If you believe moving these wages to the quarter you earned them might give you a better claim, call the claims center.
- Your employer incorrectly reported your Social Security number, wages or hours, or didn't send us a report.
- You were in the military, worked for the federal government or worked in another state. These wages will not appear on your Statement of Wages and Hours (known as an initial determination). However, we will send you a second Statement of Wages and Hours with corrected information (known as a redetermination) once we receive the information from your employer.
- We did not record your wages and hours correctly in our computer system.

We'll send you an updated statement each time wages or hours are added or corrected.

*If you think any information is wrong or missing, call the claims center.*

You also can ask a question through our website, [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

# WORKSOURCE CAN HELP WITH YOUR JOB SEARCH.

[Go2WorkSource.com](http://Go2WorkSource.com)

<b>1</b> 888888888	NAME	01	01/08/13	770
Identification Number	Claimant's Name	Program	Application Date	Claims Center

State of Washington - Employment Security Department

**STATEMENT OF WAGES AND HOURS**  
MONETARY DETERMINATION

Below is the **quarterly** wage and hour information received from your present or past employer(s). We base the amount of unemployment benefits you can potentially receive on these figures. If you are found eligible, the weekly benefit amount and maximum benefits payable show in the lower right-hand corner.

Employers pay for the **entire cost** of these benefits. You are not charged, and nothing has been deducted from your pay.

**Please compare this information with your own payroll records as soon as possible.** If you think any of the information is wrong, or there is missing information, see the bottom of this form for instructions on requesting a redetermination or filing an appeal. *We will not process redeterminations to add hours on already valid claims.* You can find explanations of the terms used on this Statement of Wages and Hours on the back.

NAME  
ADDRESS  
CITY STATE ZIP

<b>REPORTED WAGES AND HOURS FOR YOUR BASE YEAR:</b> <b>2</b> 4/11			<b>THROUGH:</b> 3/12							
<b>BENEFIT YEAR BEGINS:</b> <b>3</b> 01/06/13			<b>BENEFIT YEAR ENDS:</b> 01/04/14							
			<b>DATE MAILED:</b> 01/09/13							
<b>CLAIMANT NAME</b>	<b>EMPLOYER NAME</b>	<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>1ST QTR OF BASE YEAR</b>		<b>2ND QTR OF BASE YEAR</b>		<b>3RD QTR OF BASE YEAR</b>		<b>4TH QTR OF BASE YEAR</b>	
			4/11		1/12		2/12		3/12	
			<b>WAGES</b>	<b>HOURS</b>	<b>WAGES</b>	<b>HOURS</b>	<b>WAGES</b>	<b>HOURS</b>	<b>WAGES</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
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NAME	BUSINESS	123456-78	6500.00	350	12750.00	506	9500.00	462	15500.00	550
			<b>11</b>							
<b>QUARTERLY TOTALS:</b>										

**8** **INITIAL DETERMINATION:** If you think the employer, wage or hour information is wrong, call the claims center for instructions on providing proof of wages or hours. You must make this request within one year of the mailing date of this Statement of Wages and Hours. (Note: This request must be made and a redetermination issued before an appeal can be filed.)

**REDETERMINATION:** Appeal Notice – This redetermination is final unless you file an appeal in writing by mail or fax to the claims center within 30 days after the mailing date of the redetermination. The postmark date counts as the filing date for the appeal if it is properly addressed and has sufficient postage. If you file an appeal, continue to file your weekly claims each week as usual while waiting for your hearing.

**REDETERMINACION:** Notificación de Apelación – La ley establece que esta redeterminación es final a menos que registre una apelación por escrito y la envíe por fax o por correo al centro de reclamos para Reclamos por Desempleo antes de treinta (30) días de la fecha de envío de la redeterminación. El matasellos del sobre cuenta como la fecha en que registró la apelación si es que el sobre tenía el domicilio correcto y el suficiente franqueo postal. Si registra una apelación, mientras espera su audiencia, continúe registrando su reclamo semanal como lo ha estado haciendo en forma regular.

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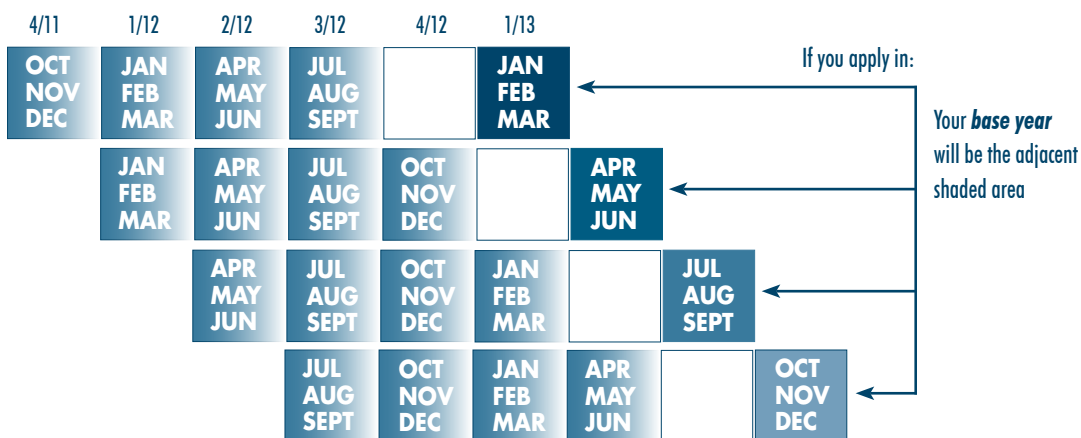
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>44,250.00</b>	<b>1868</b>
<b>WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT</b>		<b>\$568.00</b>
<b>MAXIMUM BENEFITS PAYABLE</b>		<b>\$14,768.00</b>

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- 1 **Identification number** –To help reduce identity theft, we replace your Social Security number with a customer identification number on most documents we send you. You still must use your Social Security number when you file your **weekly claims** or call the claims center.
- 2 **Base year** – Your claim is based on 12 months (four **calendar quarters**) of your wages and hours. The start of your 12 months depends on when you applied for benefits. We display this **base year** as a quarter and two-digit year. For example, 1/13 is the first quarter of 2013.

#### Base year



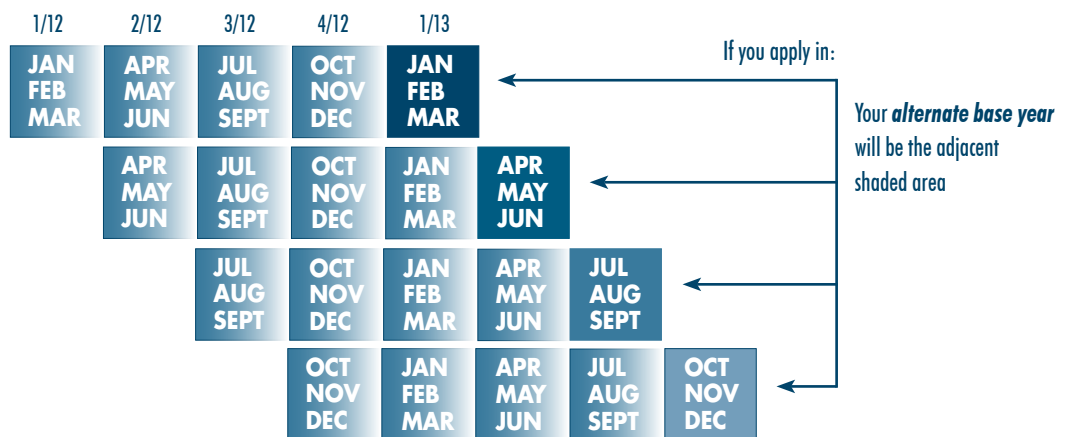
- 3 **Benefit year** - The 52-week period you can receive unemployment benefits, which begins Sunday of the week you applied.
- 4 **Claimant name** – Your name.
- 5 **Employer name** – The name of each employer you worked for in your **base year**.
- 6 **Account number** – Your employer's account number with our department.
- 7 **Wages and hours** – The total wages and hours reported by your employers for each quarter of your **base year**.
- 8 **Type of notice:**
  - Initial determination – Your first notice showing how much money you could receive, if eligible.
  - Redetermination – A correction to an initial determination. It may show items that we adjusted, such as base-year wages or hours reported by your employer.
- 9 **Total reported earnings** – Your total **earnings** in your **base year**.  
**Hours** – Your total hours worked in your base year.
- 10 **Weekly benefit amount** – The maximum amount of benefits you can receive each week.  
**Maximum benefits payable** – The maximum amount of benefits you can receive during your **benefit year** if you comply with all of the rules and claim enough weeks to reach this amount. To get the full amount, for each week you claim, you must prove you are **able** and **available** for work and are **actively seeking suitable work**.
- 11 **Special messages** – Be sure to read the important messages that may appear in this area.

## What if I didn't work enough hours in my base year to qualify?

You may be eligible for an **alternate base year** claim if you did not work the required 680 hours in your regular **base year**. Call the claims center to find out if you qualify for benefits using an alternate base year. You also can ask a question through our website, [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

An alternate base year uses a more recent 12 months (four **calendar quarters**) of your wages and hours. The start of your 12 months depends on when you applied for benefits. You must have 680 hours of work in the alternate base year and still meet all other eligibility requirements to qualify for unemployment benefits.

### Alternate base year



## What is deducted from my benefits?

### Earnings

When you file your **weekly claim**, you must tell us about any work you did and income you received or will receive for that week. Report your **earnings** based on the week you did the work, not when you got paid for the work. Report your gross pay before any deductions are taken out.

We adjust your **weekly benefit amount** by deducting part of your earnings, as shown on page 37. Unless you have Training Benefits, the formula we use to compute the deduction is gross earnings, minus \$5, times 75 percent. Reporting all your earnings will help you avoid repaying benefits later. See the earnings deduction chart on page 37 to help you calculate your weekly benefit amount in a week you have earnings.

*Examples of earnings and other payments you must report, which we deduct or withhold from your benefits:*

- Pay from an employer, such as back pay (including back pay from a time-loss or workers' compensation claim).
- Income from your own business.
- In-kind payments that substitute for money, such as rent or room and board.
- Some bonuses.
- Tips in any form.
- Paid vacation, holidays and sick leave.
- Military Reserve and National Guard pay if you worked at least three days in a row.
- Pay for jury-duty service.
- Earnings from state work study.

If you are uncertain about whether you should report money you earned, call the claims center. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

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## What about special pay (severance pay, pay in lieu of notice, and continuation pay)?

Severance payments from an employer usually do *not* affect your unemployment benefits. However, pay in lieu of notice, or continuation pay with full benefits that are guaranteed, *can* affect your benefits. Report any separation-related payments you receive or are entitled to receive to the claims center.

To determine if your severance pay is deductible, we ask questions such as:

- Are you on call or in any way required to be available to your employer in order to receive these benefits?
- Are your fringe benefits continuing to accrue (vacation, retirement, sick leave, etc.)?
- Have you accepted a new job and a past employer allowed you to continue to receive severance pay?

## Unemployment-benefits overpayment

Sometimes we keep some or all of your unemployment-benefit payment to pay back an **overpayment**. (See page 24.)

## Retirement plans

You must tell us if you receive or apply to receive payment from your retirement plan. We may deduct the employer-paid portion of your retirement from your unemployment benefits. If you receive a lump-sum retirement payment, the amount we must deduct each week is based on your life expectancy.

Deductible retirement plans include:

- Private-employer pensions.
- Union pensions.
- Government pensions.
- 401(k) and other retirement plans to which your employer contributed.

Non-deductible pensions include:

- Social Security.
- Disability payments based on an injury.
- Payments based on someone else's work (survivor, widow, or divorce-decree-settlement pensions).
- Retirement plans that were transferred within 60 days to a long-term retirement account, such as an IRA.

## What is withheld from my benefits?

### Child support

If you owe child support, we may be required to withhold a portion of each of your unemployment-benefit payments. If you have questions about the amount of your withholding, contact your local Department of Social and Health Services Division of Child Support or visit [dshs.wa.gov/dcs/contact.asp](https://dshs.wa.gov/dcs/contact.asp).

We can't refund money that we withheld for child support. If we require you to pay back benefits due to an **overpayment**, you must pay us:

- The benefits you received.
- Any child support we withheld from those benefits and sent to the Department of Social and Health Services on your behalf.

### Income tax

You have two options for paying federal income tax on your unemployment benefits:

- You can pay all taxes owed at tax time; or
- We can withhold 10 percent of your payment each week. (This option may help you avoid a large tax bill.)

Call the claims center if you want to change your deduction.

We can't refund money that we withheld for income tax. If we require you to pay back benefits due to an overpayment, you must pay us:

- The benefits you received.
- Any money we withheld from those benefits for income tax and sent to the Internal Revenue Service on your behalf.

By the end of January each year, we mail you an IRS form 1099-G showing the total benefits we paid and the amount of income tax we withheld in the prior calendar year. We mail this form to the address on your claim as of December 31 of the prior year. *If you move, be sure to give us your new address before the end of the year so we can send the 1099-G to your correct address.* We also provide this information to the Internal Revenue Service.

The amount on the 1099-G does not include any adjustments, such as **overpayments**, canceled claims or money you paid back. If you had adjustments, you must resolve the differences with the Internal Revenue Service using receipts or other records to support your tax return. You may contact the claims center for proof of actual income if there were adjustments. If you have questions about reporting adjustments on your income tax return, please contact the Internal Revenue Service.

You can get last year's tax information for your unemployment benefits between January 30 and April 30 by:

- Calling the claims center's automated-claims line.
- Accessing the "weekly claims" option at [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov).

If we sent you more than one 1099-G, add up all 1099-Gs when calculating the amount of benefits you received and income tax withheld.

If you file your tax return electronically, you must tell the Internal Revenue Service which agency paid you the benefits. Include our employer identification number (EIN), which is 91-6001099.

If you did not receive a 1099-G from us or misplaced it, you may request a copy by email, mail or fax.

### How to request a 1099-G

**Email [UI1099@esd.wa.gov](mailto:UI1099@esd.wa.gov)  
or call the claims center.**

Provide your:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Last four digits of your Social Security number
- Current and previous mailing address
- Phone number
- Customer ID number

**Fax to 800-706-7721 or mail to:**

Employment Security Department  
Attn: UI Special Programs 1099-G Unit  
PO Box 9046  
Olympia, WA 98507-9046

Include in your fax or envelope your:

- Name
- Social Security number or customer ID number
- Current mailing address
- Phone number
- Date of birth
- Signature

### When am I paid?

If you are eligible, we send your first payment after you claim your second week. In most cases, we send it within two days after you file your **weekly claim**.

Your payment may not arrive the same day each week. If we issue your payment and you don't receive it within seven business days, call the claims center. You also can ask a question through our website. Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

### Sign up for direct deposit

Direct deposit is a safe, convenient way to have your benefits deposited directly into your account at a financial institution, such as a bank.

For your protection, you can apply *only* online. Claims-center agents cannot sign you up, change or cancel your direct deposit, nor see your personal banking information. The information you enter will stay the same until you change it.

To learn more about direct deposit, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter "direct deposit" in the search box. You'll find a link to apply for direct deposit on a secure website that protects your personal information. You also can cancel direct deposit or change your bank account number.

If your bank account number changes or you want to cancel direct deposit, be sure to update your information on [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov).

### What if I am overpaid?

We continue to review your eligibility while you are claiming benefits. At any time, we may decide you are not eligible for some or all of the weeks you were paid benefits.

If we pay you more than you should have received, we notify you of an unemployment-benefits **overpayment**. The written decision will explain the facts, the law, the reason you were overpaid, and the weeks for which we reduced or denied benefits. Call the claims center if you have any questions about our decision.

If you did not cause the overpayment, we may send you a form to request a waiver. A waiver means you may not be required to pay back some or all of the overpayment. Under limited circumstances, we may waive an overpayment.

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We cannot waive an overpayment if you:

- Caused it.
- Received **conditional payments**.
- Were fired for **misconduct** connected with your work.
- Committed fraud.

If you disagree with any decision, you can appeal (see page 30). We may postpone collecting an overpayment while an appeal is pending.

Once the decision is *final*, we begin the process of collecting the overpaid unemployment benefits. A decision is *final* when:

- You do not appeal by the deadline in our decision. If you miss the deadline, we will begin collection action, even if you file a late appeal. If you win your late appeal, we will refund any money we've collected.
- You do not appeal a decision made by the Office of Administrative Hearings by the deadline in that decision.
- You do not appeal a decision made by the Commissioner's Review Office by the deadline in that decision.

## How do I repay an overpayment?

An **overpayment** is a legal debt you must repay. If you don't, we may take action, such as putting a lien on your house or garnishing your wages, bank accounts or federal income-tax refund. If you have questions about paying back your overpayment or to learn about establishing a repayment plan, contact:

Benefit Payment Control  
Phone: 866-697-4831  
Fax: 360-902-9270  
[bpcunit@esd.wa.gov](mailto:bpcunit@esd.wa.gov)

To pay back an overpayment:

- Mail a check or money order payable to Employment Security Department to the following address. Include your name and Social Security number (or customer identification number) on your payment.

Employment Security Department  
Benefit Payment Control  
PO Box 24928  
Seattle, WA 98124-0928

- Pay electronically from your bank account at <https://onlinebill.paystation.com/ESD>. This service is free. Debit and credit cards are not accepted.

**YOU MUST FIND  
WORK AS FAST  
AS YOU CAN.  
WORKSOURCE  
CAN HELP!**

[Go2WorkSource.com](https://www.Go2WorkSource.com)

# Training programs

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We offer many programs to help improve your job skills and provide extra help.

Call the claims center if you are planning to attend school or are currently in school. Otherwise, you may be denied unemployment benefits. Everyone's circumstance is different. We'll decide if you are eligible based on the facts unique to your situation.

## Commissioner-Approved Training

Under this program, you receive unemployment benefits while attending approved full-time training. Your job-search requirements are waived while you are in school. You must pay for your own books, tuition and school-related fees. Unlike the Training Benefits Program (discussed next), Commissioner-Approved Training does not give you additional unemployment benefits.

You may qualify if you are otherwise eligible for unemployment benefits and you are a dislocated worker, as defined below:

- *If your claim started before July 2012, you:*
  - Were fired (but not for misconduct) or laid off from your employer; and
  - Your skills are no longer in demand, so you are unlikely to get the same type of work again.
- *If your claim started on or after July 1, 2012, you:*
  - Were laid off because your employer permanently reduced operations; or
  - Were laid off or voluntarily quit for a good reason and there are not a lot of jobs in your type of work.

An approved training program must be:

- Preparation for an occupation that has reasonable job opportunities in your **labor market**.
- Focused on vocational training (not primarily intended to help you get a bachelor's or higher degree).
- Completed within a short period of time. If you will run out of benefits before completing your training, you must show that you have a financial plan to complete your training.

To get more information or apply, call the claims center or visit [esd.wa.gov/training-programs](http://esd.wa.gov/training-programs). Staff at your local **WorkSource**

**employment center** also can help you submit your application for processing.

## Training Benefits

Like Commissioner-Approved Training, the Training Benefits Program waives your job-search requirements while you are attending approved training. However, you also may receive additional unemployment benefits while training for a career in a high-demand field. You must pay for your own books, tuition and school-related fees.

You may qualify if you need job-related training, are otherwise eligible for unemployment benefits (or have exhausted your benefits) and:

- Served in the U.S. military or Washington National Guard in the last year or are serving in the National Guard currently;
- Are disabled due to an injury or illness, and we determine you are unable to return to your type of work;
- Were a **low-income** worker; or
- Are a dislocated worker, as defined below.
  - *If your claim started before July 2012, you:*
    - Were fired (not for misconduct) or laid off from your employer; and
    - Your skills are no longer in demand, so you are unlikely to get the same type of work again.
  - *If your claim started on or after July 1, 2012, you:*
    - Were laid off because your employer permanently reduced operations; or
    - Were laid off or voluntarily quit for a good reason and there are not a lot of jobs in your type of work.

Approved training must be:

- Preparation for a high-demand occupation.
- In a program and school that is on the eligible training provider list at [careerbridge.wa.gov](http://careerbridge.wa.gov).
- Full-time for most claimants. Dislocated workers whose claims started on or after July 1, 2012, and certain disabled individuals may qualify for part-time training.



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- Focused on vocational training (not primarily intended to meet the requirements of a bachelor's or higher degree).

If you apply for training benefits, you must meet strict deadlines:

- If you are a dislocated worker whose claim started on or after July 1, 2012, you must apply for and enroll in your training before your **benefit year** ends. We will deny training benefits if you do not meet this deadline.
- All others must apply for training benefits within 90 days and must enroll in training within 120 days after receiving notice of this handbook. If you have a good-cause reason for missing a deadline, you still may be eligible.

To get more information or apply, call the Training Benefits hotline at 877-600-7701. You also can call the claims center or visit [esd.wa.gov/training-programs](http://esd.wa.gov/training-programs). Staff at your local **WorkSource employment center** would be happy to review your application to make sure it is complete and help you submit it for processing.

## Self-Employment Assistance Program

If you qualify for this program, we waive job-search requirements and pay unemployment benefits while you attend approved training to start a business. Your job-search requirements are waived while you attend approved training. You must pay for your own books, tuition and other training-related expenses, and you do not receive additional unemployment benefits. To be eligible for unemployment benefits after you finish your training, you must **actively seek** and be **available** for full-time work with an employer.

You may qualify if you are otherwise eligible for unemployment benefits and:

- You are potentially eligible for Commissioner-Approved Training; or
- You receive a letter from us saying you may be eligible for this program because you are likely to run out of benefits before finding a job.

To learn more or apply, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter “training programs” in the search box. You also may pick up an application at your local **WorkSource employment center** or call the Training Benefits hotline at 877-600-7701 if you have questions.

## Trade Act

You may be eligible for this federal program if you lost your job or your hours were reduced because of foreign trade. The U.S. Department of Labor must approve a petition filed on behalf of a group of affected workers for Trade Act provisions to apply.

If you are eligible, you may receive additional unemployment benefits and services. For more information, contact your local **WorkSource employment center** or your nearest American Job Center (if you're living outside Washington). You also may visit [doleta.gov/tradeact](http://doleta.gov/tradeact).

Assistance may include:

- Training in skills for a new occupation, basic or remedial education, literacy or English as a second language.
- A job-search allowance to cover your expenses to find a job outside of your normal commuting area.
- A relocation allowance to cover expenses for moving to a new area for a job.
- Additional financial support after your unemployment benefits run out, as long as you are enrolled in an approved, full-time training program.
- Reemployment Trade Adjustment Assistance, which is a wage supplement program for workers age 50 or older.
- Assistance with health-insurance premiums.

# NEED JOB TRAINING? ACT NOW TO AVOID MISSING DEADLINES.

Visit [esd.wa.gov/training-programs](http://esd.wa.gov/training-programs)

# Special programs

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## Shared Work

**Shared Work** offers qualified employers an alternative to laying off employees during general economic downturns. If you are approved for Shared Work, your employer will give you a packet of information. This packet provides information about how to claim benefits while participating in the Shared-Work Program.

*If you have questions about your claim, ask your employer-designated representative.*

## Temporary Total Disability

You may be eligible for a Temporary Total Disability claim if you have not been working for at least 13 weeks due to a temporary total disability that led you to receive workers' compensation or crime-victims' compensation.

You also may be eligible if you are reentering the workforce after being gone for at least 13 weeks due to a physical temporary total disability that is not related to your work. You must meet other unemployment-benefits eligibility requirements.

To receive benefits, you must be **able** to and **available** for work, and:

- A doctor must have given you a medical release to work in the last 12 months; or
- Your workers' compensation benefits or crime-victims' compensation must have ended within the last 12 months.

A Temporary Total Disability claim is based on wages and hours earned before your injury or illness. Call the claims center for more information. You also can ask a question through our website, [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question."

## Veterans

**WorkSource employment centers** have veterans on staff whose sole job is to help veterans compete in the civilian job market. If you are a veteran, WorkSource can help you:

- Apply your military skills to the civilian workforce.
- Learn how to market yourself.
- Connect with employers who are eager to hire veterans.
- Find training providers and services for veterans.

To find out if you qualify for veteran's assistance, contact your local WorkSource employment center. (See page 35.)

## Dislocated workers

This program offers special support services, including financial assistance.

You may qualify if:

- You're a homemaker who wants to return to work.
- You're self-employed and affected by market changes.
- *If your claim started before July 2012*, and you:
  - Were fired (but not for misconduct) or laid off from your employer; and
  - Your skills are no longer in demand, so you are unlikely to get the same type of work again.
- *If your claim started on or after July 1, 2012*, and you:
  - Were laid off because your employer permanently reduced operations; or
  - Were laid off or voluntarily quit for an allowable reason and there are not a lot of jobs in your type of work.

We can refer you to specialists who will determine which of these additional services may be available to you:

- Basic literacy.
- Help with English if it is your second language.
- On-the-job training.
- Training in skills needed for jobs in your area.
- Help with starting your own business.
- Job searches in other areas.
- A jobs program for dislocated forest-products workers.



### Community college students

Your school's employment office may offer job-search help for students. **WorkSource employment centers** cooperate with community colleges to provide:

- Job-placement help.
- Résumé-writing assistance.
- Information about job clubs.
- One-on-one counseling.
- **Labor market** information, such as wages and jobs in your field.

### Washington Basic Health

If you have no health insurance or can't afford health insurance, you may qualify for state-sponsored Washington Basic Health. It offers health insurance to Washington residents at a much lower cost than most private insurers. You may be able to insure your children at no cost to you. To find out if you are eligible or to request an application, call 800-660-9840 or visit [basichealth.hca.wa.gov](http://basichealth.hca.wa.gov).

# VETERANS



## You've served. Now let WorkSource serve you.

WorkSource helps thousands of veterans find jobs each year - including disabled and recently exiting veterans.

Veterans get priority access to WorkSource services. This includes priority referrals to jobs that are listed with WorkSource, as well as other employment services.

Also, if you were discharged after 9/11, you can receive intensive one-on-one employment support through the federal Gold Card program to help with your job hunt.

## WorkSource

A partner of the [americanjobcenter](http://americanjobcenter.org) network

To find your nearest WorkSource center and learn about other resources for veterans, visit [go2worksource.com](http://go2worksource.com) and click on services for veterans under *What's Inside*.

# Appeals

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You have the right to appeal most decisions we make about your unemployment benefits, including:

- A denial of benefits.
- Information on your **Statement of Wages and Hours**.
- Your eligibility for training.
- The reason for **overpayments**.

Your last employer and any **base-year employer** also may have the right to appeal. You have the right to be represented by any person at your appeal hearing.

## How to appeal

If you disagree with a decision, send us an appeal letter within 30 days after the date we mailed your decision. If your appeal letter is late, you must explain why. Your late appeal will be dismissed unless you provide a good reason.

Mail or fax your letter to the address or fax number in the decision letter. We *cannot* accept appeal letters by email.

Include in your appeal letter:

- Your name.
- Your Social Security number.
- Why you are appealing.
- The date of our decision you want to appeal.
- Any records you think should be considered in making a decision.
- The names of any witnesses you would like to have at the hearing. (Please note that our employees cannot testify on your behalf.)
- Which language you prefer if you need an interpreter (including American Sign Language).
- Why your appeal is late, if it is.
- Your signature. (Unsigned appeals and those with electronic signatures are returned.)

## After you send your appeal

When we receive your appeal letter, we will mail you information about your rights and responsibilities.

We will forward your appeal to the Office of Administrative Hearings, which is not a part of the Employment Security Department. The Office of Administrative Hearings will assign an administrative law judge to hear your case and send copies of your file to everyone involved, including you, your witnesses and any affected employer(s).

Anyone can assist you at a hearing, including your attorney and free or low-cost legal aid. The person who represents you does not need to be an attorney. Notify the Office of Administrative Hearings if you will use representation.

The Office of Administrative Hearings will tell you when the hearing will be held and whether it will be in person or by phone. Most hearings are held by phone.

If you move while your appeal is pending, remember to share your new address with the claims center and the Office of Administrative Hearings.

## Continue filing weekly claims

If you are unemployed, keep filing your **weekly claims** and looking for **suitable work** during the appeal process.

## At your appeal hearing

At the hearing, the administrative law judge will ask you to testify under oath. You will have the right to question anyone present at the hearing and offer evidence or testimony.

Your availability for work and work-search history will be examined during the hearing. Have your **job-search log** available. If you don't attend the hearing, the administrative law judge may rule against you.

## If you lose your appeal

If you lose your appeal or it is dismissed because it was late, you can file a petition for review with the Commissioner's Review Office at our department.

Your petition must be in writing, postmarked within 30 days after the **initial order** was issued and cannot exceed five pages, including attachments. Your petition must include:

- The docket number from the initial order.
- The reason(s) you disagree with the initial order.
- Your name and Social Security number.

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- Your current address.
  - Your signature.
  - If your petition is late, the reason why it is late.

Mail your petition for review to:

Commissioner's Review Office  
PO Box 9555  
Olympia, WA 98507-9555

We do not accept petitions mailed to other addresses or sent by fax or email.

### **Get more information**

For more information about appeals, visit [esd.wa.gov/appeal-info](http://esd.wa.gov/appeal-info). You can read the brochure "How to file an appeal" on [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) or call the claims center to request a copy. You also can ask a question through [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov). Click on "ask questions about your claim" and choose "submit a question." To see a video about appeals, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter "videos" in the search box.

**WORKSOURCE CAN  
HELP YOU WITH YOUR  
JOB SEARCH.**

[Go2WorkSource.com](http://Go2WorkSource.com)

# Appendix

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## Definitions

**Able** You are physically and mentally capable, and have the legal authorization, to work in the United States.

**Actively seeking** You are looking for suitable work that you can perform and accept.

**Alternate base year** The period of time we use to determine your eligibility for unemployment benefits if you don't qualify using the regular base year. The alternate base year uses the last four completed calendar quarters before the week you applied for benefits. You must have worked 680 hours of work in covered employment in the alternate base year and still meet all of the other eligibility requirements to qualify for unemployment benefits.

**Available** You must be immediately ready and willing to accept suitable work in your labor market during the customary hours for your occupation each day you claim benefits.

**Base year** The period of time we use to determine your eligibility for unemployment benefits. Your base year is the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters before the week you applied for benefits.

If you don't qualify for unemployment benefits using your base year, ask if you qualify using the alternate base year.

**Base-year employer** Any employer you worked for during the base year or alternate base year of your unemployment claim.

**Benefit year** The 52-week period during which you can receive benefits on your claim. It begins the Sunday of the week you apply for unemployment benefits.

**Calendar quarter** Any one of these three-month time periods during a year:

- January 1 to March 31
- April 1 to June 30
- July 1 to September 30
- October 1 to December 31

**Calendar week** A seven-day time period from Sunday through Saturday.

**Conditional payments** Payments you receive while we decide if you are eligible for unemployment benefits. If we decide you are not eligible, you must pay back all of these payments.

**Covered employment** Your job is covered by unemployment insurance if your employer is required by law to report your work to our department, another state or the federal government.

**Earnings** The gross (before deductions) amount you make for work you performed, regardless of when you are paid for the work.

**Flagrant** Shockingly bad or offensive disregard for the law, morals, or rights of others and so contrary to what is right or proper that it is easy to identify and reject.

**Full-referral union** Labor organization that is approved for participation in the department's full-referral union program because it:

- Prohibits its members from looking for work on their own in their trade or industry; or
- Has a majority of union members who found work through the union during the most recent calendar year.

This type of union dispatches you to union employers when jobs become available. We will verify your status with your union and notify you of your job-search requirements. You do not have to make a job search on your own if you are a member of a full-referral union and you:

- Are eligible for dispatch.
- Follow your union's dispatch rules.

**Gross misconduct** Your flagrant and wanton action that results in being fired from your job and being denied unemployment benefits. There are two types:

- Admitting to an authority figure (not including your employer or us) that you committed a criminal act connected with your work or being convicted of a criminal act connected to your work.

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- Committing a flagrant act that shows a substantial disregard of the rights or interests of your employer or a fellow employee in connection with your work.

**Initial order** The decision a judge issues after an appeal hearing.

**Job-search log** A document used to record and track your weekly job-search contacts and activities.

**Labor market** The geographical area within a reasonable commuting distance of your home where there are job opportunities in your occupation. It may vary in size, depending on available jobs and your occupation.

**Low-income** For Training Benefits, you are low-income if you earned an average hourly wage in your base year (or alternate base year) of less than 130 percent of the state minimum wage. To compute your average hourly wage, divide the total wages in your base year by the total hours you worked.

**Maximum benefits payable** The total amount of benefits you may receive during your benefit year, if you comply with all of the rules and claim enough weeks to reach this amount. To get the full amount, for each week you claim, you must prove you are able to work, available for work and actively seeking suitable work.

**Maximum weekly benefit amount** The highest amount of weekly benefits an individual may receive. The amount is based on state law, and it may change each year. Visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter “maximum weekly benefit amount” in the search box.

**Minimum weekly benefit amount** The lowest amount of weekly benefits an individual may receive. The amount is based on state law, and it may change each year. Visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter “minimum weekly benefit amount” in the search box.

**Misconduct** Behavior that results in being fired or suspended from your job and being denied unemployment benefits. This includes acts that show a deliberate disregard for the rights and interests of the employer or a fellow employee.

**Overpayment** Unemployment benefits you were paid that you were not eligible to receive.

**Partially unemployed** You:

- Have been hired to work full-time;
- Have your hours temporarily reduced by less than 60 percent;
- Earned less than one and one third times your weekly benefit amount plus \$5 during a week; and
- Expect to return to full-time work for the same employer within four months.

**Reopen** Restarting your unemployment claim after not claiming one or more weeks.

**Shared Work** A program that offers qualified employers an alternative to laying off employees during general economic downturns.

**Standby** You are unemployed but you have a specific date to return to work in the next four weeks with a former or new employer. You are only on standby if we tell you that we’ve approved it. You do not need to look for work but must be available for any work offered by your employer. We verify standby status with your employer. A request for standby for longer than four weeks must be made by your employer and approved by us.

**Statement of Wages and Hours** A notice we mail you that shows:

- How many hours your employer reported you worked and how much you earned in your base year.
- Your weekly benefit amount and maximum benefits payable.
- Additional messages.

**Suitable work** Employment in an occupation in line with your prior training, work experience and education unless your regular work does not exist in your labor market.

If you do not have the education or training for a job, suitable work is a job you have the physical and mental ability to perform.

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Whether work is suitable or not requires considering factors, such as:

- The risk to your health, safety and morals.
- Your physical fitness.
- How long you have been unemployed and the prospects for finding local work in your customary occupation.
- How far the work is from your home.

Work is *not* considered suitable if:

- The job is vacant due to a strike or lockout.
- The work conditions are substandard compared to similar local work.
- The job requires joining, resigning from or refraining from joining a labor organization.

**Waiting week** The first week you claim and are eligible. This is often the week you apply for unemployment benefits. You do not receive benefits for your waiting week.

**Wanton** Malicious and showing no concern for risk, injury, or harm to another person when you knew, or should have known, it was harmful. It includes not acting when there is a duty to act, knowing there could be an injury.

**Weekly benefit amount** The amount you are eligible to receive for a week before any deductions.

**Weekly claim** Your request for payment of unemployment benefits for a specific calendar week.

**WorkSource employment center (WorkSource)**

Employment Security is a partner in the statewide WorkSource employment and training system. Other partners include local workforce development councils, other state agencies and nonprofit organizations.



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## Directory of WorkSource employment centers

WorkSource provides free employment and training services to job seekers and employers.

TTY users dial 800-833-6388.

### Aberdeen

511 W Heron Street  
PO Box 1136  
Aberdeen WA 98520  
360-533-9318  
800-783-0657

### Auburn

2707 "I" Street NE  
Auburn WA 98002  
253-804-1177

### Bellingham

101 Prospect Street  
Bellingham WA 98225  
360-676-1521

### Bremerton

1300 Sylvan Way Floor 1  
Bremerton WA 98310  
360-337-4810

### Chehalis

Lewis County Mall  
151 NE Hampe Way  
Chehalis WA 98532  
360-748-2360

### Colville

956 S Main Street Suite B  
Colville WA 99114  
509-685-6158

### Everett

3201 Smith Ave Suite 114  
Everett WA 98201  
425-258-6300

### Goldendale

116 E. Main St.  
Goldendale WA 98620  
509-773-5503

### Kelso

305 Pacific Ave South Suite A  
Kelso WA 98626  
360-577-2250

### Kennewick

815 N Kellogg Street Suite D  
Kennewick WA 99336  
509-734-5900

### Lakewood

Lakewood Towne Center  
5712 Main Street SW  
Suite 200  
Lakewood WA 98499  
253-984-5400

### Lynnwood

20311 52nd Ave W  
Suite 300  
Lynnwood WA 98036  
425-673-3300

### Moses Lake

309 E 5th Ave  
Moses Lake WA 98837  
509-766-4145

### Mount Vernon

2005 E College Way  
Mount Vernon WA  
98273  
360-416-3600

### Oak Harbor

31975 SR 20 Suite 3  
Oak Harbor WA 98277  
360-675-5966

### Omak

126 S Main  
PO Box 3759  
Omak WA 98841  
509-826-7310  
800-887-8057

### Port Angeles

228 W 1st Street Suite A  
Port Angeles WA 98362  
360-457-2103

### Port Hadlock

207 W Patison  
Port Hadlock WA 98339  
360-379-4401

### Pullman

350 SE Fairmont Road Suite 2  
Pullman WA 99163  
509-332-6549

### Redmond

7735 178th Place NE  
Redmond WA 98052  
425-861-3700

### Renton

500 SW 7th Street Suite 100  
Renton WA 98057  
206-205-3500

### Seattle (North)

9600 College Way N #1151  
Seattle WA 98103  
206-440-2500

### Seattle (Rainier)

2531 Rainier Ave S  
Seattle WA 98144  
206-721-6000

### Shelton

2505 Olympic Hwy N #420  
PO Box 1850  
Shelton WA 98584  
360-427-2174

### Spokane

130 S Arthur Street  
Spokane WA 99202  
509-532-3000

### Stevenson

704 SW Rock Creek Drive  
PO Box 847  
Stevenson WA 98648  
509-427-4464

### Sunnyside

1925 Morgan Road  
Sunnyside WA 98944  
509-836-1125

### Tacoma (Pierce)

1305 Tacoma Ave S  
Suite 201  
Tacoma WA 98402  
253-593-7300

### Tumwater

1570 Irving Street SW  
PO Box 9765  
Tumwater WA 98512  
360-704-3600

### Vancouver

5411 E Mill Plain Blvd Suite 15  
Vancouver WA 98661  
360-735-5000

### Walla Walla

1530 Stevens Street  
PO Drawer H  
Walla Walla WA 99362  
509-527-4393

### Wenatchee

215 Bridge Street  
PO Box 1927  
Wenatchee WA 98801  
509-665-6605

### White Salmon

107 W Jewett Blvd  
PO Box 2169  
White Salmon WA 98672  
509-493-1210  
800-511-7388

### Yakima

306 Division Street  
Yakima WA 98902  
509-574-0105

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## Privacy

### We protect your privacy

We strictly obey state and federal laws that protect your private information.

### We share with our partners

We share some of your information with our partners, and they are not allowed to share it with anyone else. We give them your:

- Contact information.
- Employment and job-search history.
- Demographics (e.g., age, gender).

If you don't want us to share your information with our partners, please complete and return the "Employment Security Department Data Sharing Notice." We sent it to you with your **Statement of Wages and Hours**. Additional copies are available at your local **WorkSource employment center**. Signing the notice will not change your eligibility for services from our partners.

## Others who get your information

We share your information under specific circumstances with:

- Employers – If requested, we must give information about your claim to any of your **base-year employers** or their representatives. This includes the amount of benefits we paid you and copies of any documents related to your unemployment claim.
- Courts – Under a special court order, we must give information about your claim to the court.
- Government agencies – We must give information to local, state and federal employees who need it to perform their official duties and, in some cases, to verify your identity or eligibility for other programs.
- Collection agencies – These third parties may be able to obtain your information, but only if you give them written permission. We also share information with them if we are served with a subpoena.

We will never share information about you for commercial purposes unless the person or organization has obtained a waiver.

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## Equal opportunity is the law

It is against the law for the Employment Security Department, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, to discriminate on the following bases:

Against any individual in the United States on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation or belief; and against any beneficiary of programs financially assisted under Title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), on the basis of the beneficiary's citizenship or status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States, or his or her participation in any WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity.

Employment Security must not discriminate in any of the following areas:

- Deciding who will be admitted, or have access, to any WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity;
- Providing opportunities in, or treating any person with regard to, such a program or activity; or
- Making employment decisions in the administration of, or in connection with, such a program or activity.

### What to do if you believe you have experienced discrimination

If you think that you have been subjected to discrimination under a WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity, you may file a complaint within 180 days from the date of the alleged violation with either:

Equal Opportunity Officer  
Employment Security Department  
Human Resource Services Division  
128 10th Ave SW 5th Floor  
PO Box 9046  
Olympia WA 98507-9046  
or  
Director, Civil Rights Center (CRC)  
U S Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Ave NW Room N-4123  
Washington DC 20210

If you file your complaint with Employment Security, you must wait until we issue a written Notice of Final Action or until 90 days have passed (whichever is sooner), before filing with the CRC (see address above). If we do not give you a written Notice of Final Action within 90 days of the day on which you filed your complaint, you do not have to wait for us to issue that Notice before filing a complaint with CRC. However, you must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the 90-day deadline (in other words, within 120 days after the day on which you filed your complaint with Employment Security).

If Employment Security does give you a written Notice of Final Action on your complaint, but you are dissatisfied with the decision or resolution, you may file a complaint with CRC. You must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the date on which you received the Notice of Final Action.

For more information, visit [esd.wa.gov](http://esd.wa.gov) and enter "equal opportunity" in the search box.



## Earnings deduction chart

If you have earnings during a week, we deduct part of them from your weekly benefit amount. In the chart below, first find the amount you earned in the “gross earnings” column. Then see the “earnings deduction” column for the amount we subtract from your weekly benefit amount that week. There is a different earnings deduction chart for Training Benefits.

(From)	(To)	Deduction	(From)	(To)	Deduction	(From)	(To)	Deduction	(From)	(To)	Deduction	(From)	(To)	Deduction
0.00	-	5.00 = 0	85.01	-	86.33 = 61	166.34	-	167.66 = 122	247.67	-	249.00 = 183	329.01	-	330.33 = 244
5.01	-	6.33 = 1	86.34	-	87.66 = 62	167.67	-	169.00 = 123	249.01	-	250.33 = 184	330.34	-	331.66 = 245
6.34	-	7.66 = 2	87.67	-	89.00 = 63	169.01	-	170.33 = 124	250.34	-	251.66 = 185	331.67	-	333.00 = 246
7.67	-	9.00 = 3	89.01	-	90.33 = 64	170.34	-	171.66 = 125	251.67	-	253.00 = 186	333.01	-	334.33 = 247
9.01	-	10.33 = 4	90.34	-	91.66 = 65	171.67	-	173.00 = 126	253.01	-	254.33 = 187	334.34	-	335.66 = 248
10.34	-	11.66 = 5	91.67	-	93.00 = 66	173.01	-	174.33 = 127	254.34	-	255.66 = 188	335.67	-	337.00 = 249
11.67	-	13.00 = 6	93.01	-	94.33 = 67	174.34	-	175.66 = 128	255.67	-	257.00 = 189	337.01	-	338.33 = 250
13.01	-	14.33 = 7	94.34	-	95.66 = 68	175.67	-	177.00 = 129	257.01	-	258.33 = 190	338.34	-	339.66 = 251
14.34	-	15.66 = 8	95.67	-	97.00 = 69	177.01	-	178.33 = 130	258.34	-	259.66 = 191	339.67	-	341.00 = 252
15.67	-	17.00 = 9	97.01	-	98.33 = 70	178.34	-	179.66 = 131	259.67	-	261.00 = 192	341.01	-	342.33 = 253
17.01	-	18.33 = 10	98.34	-	99.66 = 71	179.67	-	181.00 = 132	261.01	-	262.33 = 193	342.34	-	343.66 = 254
18.34	-	19.66 = 11	99.67	-	101.00 = 72	181.01	-	182.33 = 133	262.34	-	263.66 = 194	343.67	-	345.00 = 255
19.67	-	21.00 = 12	101.01	-	102.33 = 73	182.34	-	183.66 = 134	263.67	-	265.00 = 195	345.01	-	346.33 = 256
21.01	-	22.33 = 13	102.34	-	103.66 = 74	183.67	-	185.00 = 135	265.01	-	266.33 = 196	346.34	-	347.66 = 257
22.34	-	23.66 = 14	103.67	-	105.00 = 75	185.01	-	186.33 = 136	266.34	-	267.66 = 197	347.67	-	349.00 = 258
23.67	-	25.00 = 15	105.01	-	106.33 = 76	186.34	-	187.66 = 137	267.67	-	269.00 = 198	349.01	-	350.33 = 259
25.01	-	26.33 = 16	106.34	-	107.66 = 77	187.67	-	189.00 = 138	269.01	-	270.33 = 199	350.34	-	351.66 = 260
26.34	-	27.66 = 17	107.67	-	109.00 = 78	189.01	-	190.33 = 139	270.34	-	271.66 = 200	351.67	-	353.00 = 261
27.67	-	29.00 = 18	109.01	-	110.33 = 79	190.34	-	191.66 = 140	271.67	-	273.00 = 201	353.01	-	354.33 = 262
29.01	-	30.33 = 19	110.34	-	111.66 = 80	191.67	-	193.00 = 141	273.01	-	274.33 = 202	354.34	-	355.66 = 263
30.34	-	31.66 = 20	111.67	-	113.00 = 81	193.01	-	194.33 = 142	274.34	-	275.66 = 203	355.67	-	357.00 = 264
31.67	-	33.00 = 21	113.01	-	114.33 = 82	194.34	-	195.66 = 143	275.67	-	277.00 = 204	357.01	-	358.33 = 265
33.01	-	34.33 = 22	114.34	-	115.66 = 83	195.67	-	197.00 = 144	277.01	-	278.33 = 205	358.34	-	359.66 = 266
34.34	-	35.66 = 23	115.67	-	117.00 = 84	197.01	-	198.33 = 145	278.34	-	279.66 = 206	359.67	-	361.00 = 267
35.67	-	37.00 = 24	117.01	-	118.33 = 85	198.34	-	199.66 = 146	279.67	-	281.00 = 207	361.01	-	362.33 = 268
37.01	-	38.33 = 25	118.34	-	119.66 = 86	199.67	-	201.00 = 147	281.01	-	282.33 = 208	362.34	-	363.66 = 269
38.34	-	39.66 = 26	119.67	-	121.00 = 87	201.01	-	202.33 = 148	282.34	-	283.66 = 209	363.67	-	365.00 = 270
39.67	-	41.00 = 27	121.01	-	122.33 = 88	202.34	-	203.66 = 149	283.67	-	285.00 = 210	365.01	-	366.33 = 271
41.01	-	42.33 = 28	122.34	-	123.66 = 89	203.67	-	205.00 = 150	285.01	-	286.33 = 211	366.34	-	367.66 = 272
42.34	-	43.66 = 29	123.67	-	125.00 = 90	205.01	-	206.33 = 151	286.34	-	287.66 = 212	367.67	-	369.00 = 273
43.67	-	45.00 = 30	125.01	-	126.33 = 91	206.34	-	207.66 = 152	287.67	-	289.00 = 213	369.01	-	370.33 = 274
45.01	-	46.33 = 31	126.34	-	127.66 = 92	207.67	-	209.00 = 153	289.01	-	290.33 = 214	370.34	-	371.66 = 275
46.34	-	47.66 = 32	127.67	-	129.00 = 93	209.01	-	210.33 = 154	290.34	-	291.66 = 215	371.67	-	373.00 = 276
47.67	-	49.00 = 33	129.01	-	130.33 = 94	210.34	-	211.66 = 155	291.67	-	293.00 = 216	373.01	-	374.33 = 277
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50.34	-	51.66 = 35	131.67	-	133.00 = 96	213.01	-	214.33 = 157	294.34	-	295.66 = 218	375.67	-	377.00 = 279
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53.01	-	54.33 = 37	134.34	-	135.66 = 98	215.67	-	217.00 = 159	297.01	-	298.33 = 220	378.34	-	379.66 = 281
54.34	-	55.66 = 38	135.67	-	137.00 = 99	217.01	-	218.33 = 160	298.34	-	299.66 = 221	379.67	-	381.00 = 282
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58.34	-	59.66 = 41	139.67	-	141.00 = 102	221.01	-	222.33 = 163	302.34	-	303.66 = 224	383.67	-	385.00 = 285
59.67	-	61.00 = 42	141.01	-	142.33 = 103	222.34	-	223.66 = 164	303.67	-	305.00 = 225	385.01	-	386.33 = 286
61.01	-	62.33 = 43	142.34	-	143.66 = 104	223.67	-	225.00 = 165	305.01	-	306.33 = 226	386.34	-	387.66 = 287
62.34	-	63.66 = 44	143.67	-	145.00 = 105	225.01	-	226.33 = 166	306.34	-	307.66 = 227	387.67	-	389.00 = 288
63.67	-	65.00 = 45	145.01	-	146.33 = 106	226.34	-	227.66 = 167	307.67	-	309.00 = 228	389.01	-	390.33 = 289
65.01	-	66.33 = 46	146.34	-	147.66 = 107	227.67	-	229.00 = 168	309.01	-	310.33 = 229	390.34	-	391.66 = 290
66.34	-	67.66 = 47	147.67	-	149.00 = 108	229.01	-	230.33 = 169	310.34	-	311.66 = 230	391.67	-	393.00 = 291
67.67	-	69.00 = 48	149.01	-	150.33 = 109	230.34	-	231.66 = 170	311.67	-	313.00 = 231	393.01	-	394.33 = 292
69.01	-	70.33 = 49	150.34	-	151.66 = 110	231.67	-	233.00 = 171	313.01	-	314.33 = 232	394.34	-	395.66 = 293
70.34	-	71.66 = 50	151.67	-	153.00 = 111	233.01	-	234.33 = 172	314.34	-	315.66 = 233	395.67	-	397.00 = 294
71.67	-	73.00 = 51	153.01	-	154.33 = 112	234.34	-	235.66 = 173	315.67	-	317.00 = 234	397.01	-	398.33 = 295
73.01	-	74.33 = 52	154.34	-	155.66 = 113	235.67	-	237.00 = 174	317.01	-	318.33 = 235	398.34	-	399.66 = 296
74.34	-	75.66 = 53	155.67	-	157.00 = 114	237.01	-	238.33 = 175	318.34	-	319.66 = 236	399.67	-	401.00 = 297
75.67	-	77.00 = 54	157.01	-	158.33 = 115	238.34	-	239.66 = 176	319.67	-	321.00 = 237	401.01	-	402.33 = 298
77.01	-	78.33 = 55	158.34	-	159.66 = 116	239.67	-	241.00 = 177	321.01	-	322.33 = 238	402.34	-	403.66 = 299
78.34	-	79.66 = 56	159.67	-	161.00 = 117	241.01	-	242.33 = 178	322.34	-	323.66 = 239	403.67	-	405.00 = 300
79.67	-	81.00 = 57	161.01	-	162.33 = 118	242.34	-	243.66 = 179	323.67	-	325.00 = 240	405.01	-	406.33 = 301
81.01	-	82.33 = 58	162.34	-	163.66 = 119	243.67	-	245.00 = 180	325.01	-	326.33 = 241	406.34	-	407.66 = 302
82.34	-	83.66 = 59	163.67	-	165.00 = 120	245.01	-	246.33 = 181	326.34	-	327.66 = 242	407.67	-	409.00 = 303
83.67	-	85.00 = 60	165.01	-	166.33 = 121	246.34	-	247.66 = 182	327.67	-	329.00 = 243	409.01	-	410.33 = 304

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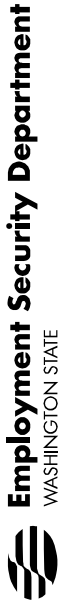
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410.34	- 411.66	= 305	491.67	- 493.00	= 366	573.01	- 574.33	= 427	654.34	- 655.66	= 488	735.67	- 737.00	= 549
411.67	- 413.00	= 306	493.01	- 494.33	= 367	574.34	- 575.66	= 428	655.67	- 657.00	= 489	737.01	- 738.33	= 550
413.01	- 414.33	= 307	494.34	- 495.66	= 368	575.67	- 577.00	= 429	657.01	- 658.33	= 490	738.34	- 739.66	= 551
414.34	- 415.66	= 308	495.67	- 497.00	= 369	577.01	- 578.33	= 430	658.34	- 659.66	= 491	739.67	- 741.00	= 552
415.67	- 417.00	= 309	497.01	- 498.33	= 370	578.34	- 579.66	= 431	659.67	- 661.00	= 492	741.01	- 742.33	= 553
417.01	- 418.33	= 310	498.34	- 499.66	= 371	579.67	- 581.00	= 432	661.01	- 662.33	= 493	742.34	- 743.66	= 554
418.34	- 419.66	= 311	499.67	- 501.00	= 372	581.01	- 582.33	= 433	662.34	- 663.66	= 494	743.67	- 745.00	= 555
419.67	- 421.00	= 312	501.01	- 502.33	= 373	582.34	- 583.66	= 434	663.67	- 665.00	= 495	745.01	- 746.33	= 556
421.01	- 422.33	= 313	502.34	- 503.66	= 374	583.67	- 585.00	= 435	665.01	- 666.33	= 496	746.34	- 747.66	= 557
422.34	- 423.66	= 314	503.67	- 505.00	= 375	585.01	- 586.33	= 436	666.34	- 667.66	= 497	747.67	- 749.00	= 558
423.67	- 425.00	= 315	505.01	- 506.33	= 376	586.34	- 587.66	= 437	667.67	- 669.00	= 498	749.01	- 750.33	= 559
425.01	- 426.33	= 316	506.34	- 507.66	= 377	587.67	- 589.00	= 438	669.01	- 670.33	= 499	750.34	- 751.66	= 560
426.34	- 427.66	= 317	507.67	- 509.00	= 378	589.01	- 590.33	= 439	670.34	- 671.66	= 500	751.67	- 753.00	= 561
427.67	- 429.00	= 318	509.01	- 510.33	= 379	590.34	- 591.66	= 440	671.67	- 673.00	= 501	753.01	- 754.33	= 562
429.01	- 430.33	= 319	510.34	- 511.66	= 380	591.67	- 593.00	= 441	673.01	- 674.33	= 502	754.34	- 755.66	= 563
430.34	- 431.66	= 320	511.67	- 513.00	= 381	593.01	- 594.33	= 442	674.34	- 675.66	= 503	755.67	- 757.00	= 564
431.67	- 433.00	= 321	513.01	- 514.33	= 382	594.34	- 595.66	= 443	675.67	- 677.00	= 504	757.01	- 758.33	= 565
433.01	- 434.33	= 322	514.34	- 515.66	= 383	595.67	- 597.00	= 444	677.01	- 678.33	= 505	758.34	- 759.66	= 566
434.34	- 435.66	= 323	515.67	- 517.00	= 384	597.01	- 598.33	= 445	678.34	- 679.66	= 506	759.67	- 761.00	= 567
435.67	- 437.00	= 324	517.01	- 518.33	= 385	598.34	- 599.66	= 446	679.67	- 681.00	= 507	761.01	- 762.33	= 568
437.01	- 438.33	= 325	518.34	- 519.66	= 386	599.67	- 601.00	= 447	681.01	- 682.33	= 508	762.34	- 763.66	= 569
438.34	- 439.66	= 326	519.67	- 521.00	= 387	601.01	- 602.33	= 448	682.34	- 683.66	= 509	763.67	- 765.00	= 570
439.67	- 441.00	= 327	521.01	- 522.33	= 388	602.34	- 603.66	= 449	683.67	- 685.00	= 510	765.01	- 766.33	= 571
441.01	- 442.33	= 328	522.34	- 523.66	= 389	603.67	- 605.00	= 450	685.01	- 686.33	= 511	766.34	- 767.66	= 572
442.34	- 443.66	= 329	523.67	- 525.00	= 390	605.01	- 606.33	= 451	686.34	- 687.66	= 512	767.67	- 769.00	= 573
443.67	- 445.00	= 330	525.01	- 526.33	= 391	606.34	- 607.66	= 452	687.67	- 689.00	= 513	769.01	- 770.33	= 574
445.01	- 446.33	= 331	526.34	- 527.66	= 392	607.67	- 609.00	= 453	689.01	- 690.33	= 514	770.34	- 771.66	= 575
446.34	- 447.66	= 332	527.67	- 529.00	= 393	609.01	- 610.33	= 454	690.34	- 691.66	= 515	771.67	- 773.00	= 576
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449.01	- 450.33	= 334	530.34	- 531.66	= 395	611.67	- 613.00	= 456	693.01	- 694.33	= 517	774.34	- 775.66	= 578
450.34	- 451.66	= 335	531.67	- 533.00	= 396	613.01	- 614.33	= 457	694.34	- 695.66	= 518	775.67	- 777.00	= 579
451.67	- 453.00	= 336	533.01	- 534.33	= 397	614.34	- 615.66	= 458	695.67	- 697.00	= 519	777.01	- 778.33	= 580
453.01	- 454.33	= 337	534.34	- 535.66	= 398	615.67	- 617.00	= 459	697.01	- 698.33	= 520	778.34	- 779.66	= 581
454.34	- 455.66	= 338	535.67	- 537.00	= 399	617.01	- 618.33	= 460	698.34	- 699.66	= 521	779.67	- 781.00	= 582
455.67	- 457.00	= 339	537.01	- 538.33	= 400	618.34	- 619.66	= 461	699.67	- 701.00	= 522	781.01	- 782.33	= 583
457.01	- 458.33	= 340	538.34	- 539.66	= 401	619.67	- 621.00	= 462	701.01	- 702.33	= 523	782.34	- 783.66	= 584
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479.67	- 481.00	= 357	561.01	- 562.33	= 418	642.34	- 643.66	= 479	723.67	- 725.00	= 540	805.01	- 806.33	= 601
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483.67	- 485.00	= 360	565.01	- 566.33	= 421	646.34	- 647.66	= 482	727.67	- 729.00	= 543	809.01	- 810.33	= 604
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487.67	- 489.00	= 363	569.01	- 570.33	= 424	650.34	- 651.66	= 485	731.67	- 733.00	= 546	813.01	- 814.33	= 607
489.01	- 490.33	= 364	570.34	- 571.66	= 425	651.67	- 653.00	= 486	733.01	- 734.33	= 547	814.34	- 815.66	= 608
490.34	- 491.66	= 365	571.67	- 573.00	= 426	653.01	- 654.33	= 487	734.34	- 735.66	= 548			

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**Employment Security Department**  
WASHINGTON STATE

# Job-Search Log for the week ending (Mo/Day/Yr) 10 / 13 / 12

Name: Jane Doe ID or SSN: 8609357011 Keep this log for your records\*

**Instructions:** Please use dark ink only. Do not send your logs to us unless we ask for them. You must complete a log for each week you claim unemployment benefits. You must have a combined total of three employer contacts or approved job-search activities each week. Keep your logs. \*We may review them any time up to 60 days past the end of your benefit year or up to 30 days after receiving any benefits, whichever is later. We may call the employers listed to verify that you contacted them for work. Providing false information is fraud that can result in a denial of your unemployment benefits and additional penalties.

You can get more logs at your local WorkSource office or online at [www.esd.wa.gov/job-search-log](http://www.esd.wa.gov/job-search-log). If you apply online or respond to a newspaper ad, please attach a copy of the confirmation notice or ad if available. Refer to your Handbook for Unemployed Workers for further instructions on completing this log.

Contacts and job-search activities		Keep this log for your records	
CONTACT 1 IN PERSON Staff use only	10/8/12	FOR EMPLOYER CONTACT, check one AND list position or type of work applied for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application/résumé <input type="checkbox"/> Interview <input type="checkbox"/> Inquiry Position: ..... CONSTRUCTION LABORER ..... How contacted: <input type="checkbox"/> Online/email <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In person <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Kiosk <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe): ..... FOR WORKSOURCE ACTIVITY, briefly describe: .....	If employer contact was in person, by kiosk or by telephone, you MUST complete this section. Employer ...COREY'S CONSTRUCTION COMPANY ..... Telephone (.....).....555-3719 ..... Address ...48697 HIGH RISE COURT ..... City ...SUNNYSIDE ..... State ...WA ..... Name or position of person contacted ...DAYNE, FOREMAN ..... If employer contact was made online, by email, by fax or by newspaper, you MUST complete the appropriate information in this section. Employer name (if provided) and, website or email ..... Job reference number ..... If fax, provide the fax number (.....) ..... Newspaper name and publication date .....
	10/10/12	FOR EMPLOYER CONTACT, check one AND list position or type of work applied for: <input type="checkbox"/> Application/résumé <input type="checkbox"/> Interview <input type="checkbox"/> Inquiry Position: ..... How contacted: <input type="checkbox"/> Online/email <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In person <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Kiosk <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe): ..... FOR WORKSOURCE ACTIVITY, briefly describe: .....INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES (MOD 6) .....	If employer contact was in person, by kiosk or by telephone, you MUST complete this section. Employer ...VANCOUVER WORKSOURCE CAREER CENTER ..... Telephone (.....) ..... Address ..... City ...VANCOUVER ..... State ...WA ..... Name or position of person contacted .....SAMMI ..... If employer contact was made online, by email, by fax or by newspaper, you MUST complete the appropriate information in this section. Employer name (if provided) and, website or email ..... Job reference number ..... If fax, provide the fax number (.....) ..... Newspaper name and publication date .....
CONTACT 3 ONLINE WEBSITE Staff use only	10/11/12	FOR EMPLOYER CONTACT, check one AND list position or type of work applied for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application/résumé <input type="checkbox"/> Interview <input type="checkbox"/> Inquiry Position: ...VISIONWARE SALES ASSOCIATE ..... How contacted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online/email <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input type="checkbox"/> In person <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Kiosk <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe): ..... FOR WORKSOURCE ACTIVITY, briefly describe: .....	If employer contact was in person, by kiosk or by telephone, you MUST complete this section. Employer ..... Telephone (.....) ..... Address ..... City ..... State ..... Name or position of person contacted ...ROBERTA (OFFICE MANAGER) ..... If employer contact was made online, by email, by fax or by newspaper, you MUST complete the appropriate information in this section. Employer name (if provided) and, website or email ...CLEARVIEW CORPORATION, ICANSEECLEARLY.ORG ..... Job reference number ..... CONFIRMATION NOTICE ATTACHED SEPARATELY ..... If fax, provide the fax number (.....) ..... Newspaper name and publication date .....

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# Job-Search Log for the week ending (Mo/Day/Yr) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment Security Department**  
WASHINGTON STATEName: \_\_\_\_\_ ID or SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ **Keep this log for your records\***

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Name: ID or SSN: Keep this log for your records\*

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